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September 6, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 25, 1966, pertaining to the request of Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Agent in Charge, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, to obtain a list of toll calls from subject Charles Joseph Whitman's father's telephone for the period of March 1, 1966, through July 31, 1966.

On August 31, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI advised that [REDACTED]

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It is to be noted that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Austin Police Department  
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August 2, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4887  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 2, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, and Lt. Merrill Wells, Homicide Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

On August 1, 1966, Lt. Wells, supra, furnished the following list of guns to Special Agent Carlson that Charles Joseph Whitman had in his possession when killed by police officers in the University of Texas Tower:

One Remington model 700, 6 MM bolt action, serial number 149037, with four power Leupold scope.

One Sears-Roebuck twelve gauge automatic shotgun, two and three fourths inch chamber, sawed-off barrel and sawed-off stock, no serial number.

Thirty-five caliber Remington model 141, slide top action rifle, serial number 1859.

One U.S. Carbine, caliber thirty N-One, made by Universal Hialeah, Florida, serial number 69798.

One revolver, three fifty-seven Smith-Wesson Magnum, four and one-half inch barrel, nickel-plated, model 19, serial number K391523.

One nine MM luger, serial number 2010.



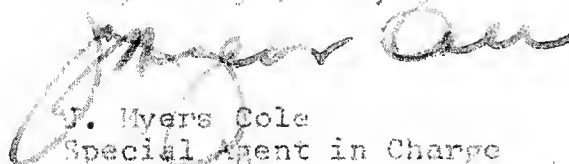
One automatic pistol, 8.35 caliber, Callesí-  
Spaccia, serial number 365869.

On August 2, 1966, FBI Headquarters advised that  
after a search was made of the National Stolen Property  
File for the above listed weapons, no identifiable record  
could be located.

This information was furnished to Lt. Wells and  
Mr. Cowan by Special Agent Carlson.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever  
action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

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Austin Police Department  
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2-1781 - M-968150  
August 2, 1966

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C. 20537

Re: Offense # M 968150  
Charles Joseph WHITMAN

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are fingerprint cards of victims killed by the  
above named subject.

Would appreciate a search of your files, and any informa-  
tion forwarded to this Department, at the earliest possible  
date. Please return the fingerprint cards to this De-  
partment.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly

R. A. Miles, Chief of Police

By Major K.R. Herbert  
Criminal Investigation Division  
Austin Police Department

KRH: bh



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August 3, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4887  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 2, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

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The Miami Office of the FBI on August 2, 1966, furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman:

A check of records and interviews with relatives and associates of Whitman and his family revealed that Whitman was born June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, to Charles Adolphus Whitman and Margaret Elizabeth Hodges Whitman. He has two younger brothers, Patrick Grady Whitman, age 22, married, and residing Lake Worth, Florida, and John Michael Whitman, age 17, who went to Austin, Texas, in March 1966 with his mother.

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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
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Subject Whitman's mother was a Catholic and his father showed no religious preference. Subject Whitman attended Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth, Florida, and St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, graduating in May 1959.

When registering for the Selective Service in June 1959, subject Whitman showed his occupation as a student at Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia. It was also indicated that U. S. Marine Corps separation papers reflected one and one-half years education at Georgia Tech, plus education at East Carolina College, April 1964 to June 1964, and U. S. Navy Preparatory School, June 1961 to August, 1961. It is to be noted that subject Whitman served in the U. S. Marine Corps from July 6, 1959, until he transferred to the Reserve December 4, 1964, and was honorably discharged July 18, 1965. His Marine Corps service number was listed as 1871634.

Subject Whitman's only employment in Florida was that of a newspaper carrier while in high school and he reportedly worked for a time with his father.

Arrest records of the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office contained no identifiable information with subject Whitman, with the exception that five traffic citations were noted in the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department records.

[redacted] Lake Worth Police Department, [redacted] recalled subject Whitman became an Eagle Scout at the age of 13, at which time subject Whitman's father was Scoutmaster. [redacted] said subject's mother was very active in church work and subject's father was active in civic affairs and once ran for the Lake Worth City Council. [redacted] knew nothing of subject Whitman's background to account for his recent actions.

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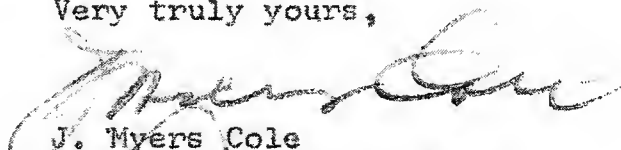
Lake Worth Police Department records show complaints of disturbances at the residence of subject's parents on March 2 and 4, 1966, and a record of a call to the police department from subject Whitman from Texas on March 2, 1966, in which subject Whitman related his father had threatened his mother and he, subject Whitman, was en route to Florida to get his mother.

A source in West Palm Beach, Florida, with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine reliability but who is reported to have known subject Whitman and his father all source's life and subject's mother since she married subject's father, advised that subject Whitman has not been in Florida much in recent years, having been in the military service and living in Texas since his separation from the service. Source knew of nothing which would account for subject Whitman's recent actions.

Source pointed out that subject Whitman's mother was quite religious and raised subject Whitman in a religious environment. One of the subject's brothers once studied for the priesthood. Subject Whitman's father came from a broken family, built a rather successful plumbing business, and was overly proud of his success.

Source described subject Whitman's father as both overly permissive and overly strict with the family and very domineering. He boasted of the material things he has given his family, which, according to source, was true and also was very insistent that his children do things or excel in things that they could not or did not want to do. Source advised that it was well known in the family that subject Whitman's parents quarreled regularly. After a quarrel several months ago subject Whitman's mother told subject of the quarrel and it was reportedly subject Whitman's idea that his mother leave Florida and come to Texas. Source advised that subject Whitman might well have disliked his father but source knew of no reason for his disliking other members of the family or for doing what he did.

Very truly yours,



J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 2, 1966

M-968150

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

At approximately 2:55 p.m. on August 1, 1966,

[redacted]  
[redacted] telephone number [redacted] telephonically contacted  
the San Antonio office of the FBI and furnished the  
following information:

She advised that she had just heard the news  
about an individual at The University of Texas shooting  
several people from the Tower at the University. From  
a description furnished by news accounts, she felt that  
this individual may be identical with an individual whom  
she and her husband observed near the LBJ Ranch near  
Ranch Road 1 on Sunday, July 31, 1966.

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[redacted] explained that between 2:00 and  
3:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 31, 1966, she and her husband  
were taking pictures of the LBJ Ranch when an individual  
made the following remark, "Look yonder, there sits that

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"Secret Service man with a telescopic gun across his knees. That's where our tax money goes." [redacted] stated she immediately turned to the individual and remarked that she was glad that the Secret Service man was there as he was protecting the President, at which time the individual made a remark which she cannot recall and then turned and walked toward a companion and made another remark which [redacted] could not recall. [redacted] stated that her husband was standing near the individual's companion and could possibly furnish the details of the remarks.

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[redacted] described the first individual as a white male, approximately twenty-six to twenty-seven years of age, blond hair, wearing a light-colored shirt. She described this individual's companion as a white male, wearing a hat. No further identifying information was available.

The above information was furnished to Special Agent [redacted] U. S. Secret Service office in San Antonio, and in writing to that office, as well as to [redacted] Agent in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, on August 1, 1966.

The above is furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
J. MYERS COLE,  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 24, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 23, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, and Agent Ben Boyd, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson.

On August 5, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, supra, requested that [redacted] Lake Worth, Florida, family physician of subject Charles Joseph Whitman, be interviewed.

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Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 17, 1966, setting forth information that [redacted] was on vacation in Hawaii and was not expected back at Lake Worth, Florida, until on or about August 18, 1966.

On August 23, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI advised as follows:

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On August 22, 1966, [redacted], Lake Worth, Florida, Whitman family physician, advised that he treated subject Whitman as follows:

July 20, 1957 - Infection left side of face, incision and drainage required;

September 26, 1957 - Operation, acute appendectomy;

October 16, 1957 - Complained of dizziness, no positive physical findings;

February 1, 1958 - Fungus infection on foot;

March 18, 1958 - Respiratory infection, treatment antibiotics;

March 30, 1959 - General physical examination, completely negative;

May 20, 1959 - Fracture of first metacarpal bone of left hand;

July 3, 1959 - Complained of dizzy spells again, had hemoglobin count of ten point five grams, considered low, given blood pills;

December 28, 1961 - Checked for high blood pressure, result found blood pressure on left arm 118 over 70 and right arm 114 over 70. Subject Whitman seemed apprehensive, medication given librium tablets three times a day, five milligrams each tablet;

September 1, 1964 - Throat infection, given antibiotics.

[redacted] stated on insistence of subject Whitman's father, he telephonically contacted subject Whitman long distance in Texas during May, 1966, concerning subject Whitman's mother's return to subject Whitman's father's home.

[redacted] stated subject Whitman advised that he, subject Whitman, would have his father arrested if subject Whitman's father came to Texas to get subject Whitman's mother. [redacted] stated that he, [redacted] telephonically spoke to subject Whitman's mother in May of 1966, upon the urging of subject Whitman's father. At that time, subject Whitman's mother was employed at Wyatt's Cafeteria in Austin, Texas. Subject Whitman's mother refused to return to her husband, stating she was absolutely afraid of her husband and afraid he would kill her.

According to [redacted], subject Whitman's mother has been treated by him since 1957. Many of her complaints were those associated with menopausal patients. [redacted] claims he treated subject Whitman's mother for bruises after beatings from subject Whitman's father.

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[redacted] advised that in treatment of subject Whitman's father, he claimed subject Whitman's father suffers from anginal pain and has duodenal ulcers.

According to [redacted] subject Whitman's wife, Kathleen, on September 4, 1964, was operated on for cyst on ovary. [redacted] claims subject Whitman and his wife travelled to Lake Worth, Florida, for the operation. [redacted] added that in the presence of subject Whitman, subject Whitman's father raised question concerning subject Whitman's sexual relationship with subject Whitman's wife, which in the opinion of [redacted] caused subject Whitman much embarrassment.

[redacted] recalls [redacted] upon learning she was pregnant, telephonically contacted subject Whitman's wife, Kathleen, just prior to the incident in Austin, Texas, to advise her of her pregnancy.

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ATTENTION: MAJOR K. R. HERBERT

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Attention: Major K. R. Herbert  
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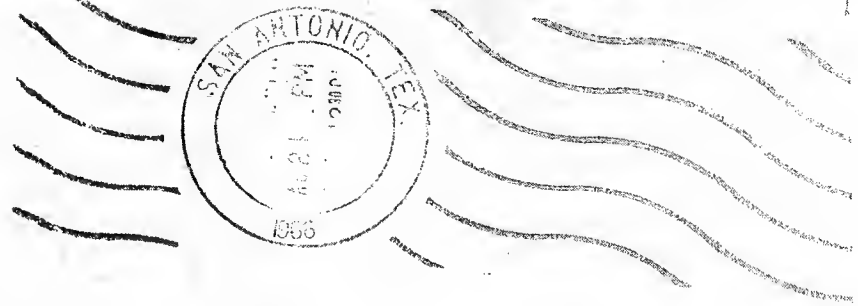
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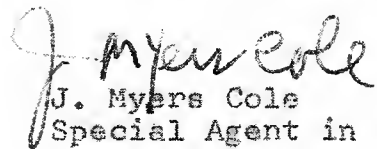
[redacted] is of the opinion that possibly subject Whitman, since he had been married four or five years and had no children, may have thought he was sterile. [redacted] claimed that subject Whitman was never examined along this line.

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For your additional information, subject Whitman's father on August 22, 1966, relinquished copy of autobiography written by subject Whitman. Autobiography, according to the Miami Office, merely relates to subject Whitman's childhood. Copies are being obtained and will be furnished to you upon receipt.

The above is being furnished for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 29, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 29, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department; and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 18, 1966, in which you were advised that [redacted] [redacted] advised that her son, [redacted] would arrive at Vernon, Connecticut, on either August 18 or 19, 1966, and you would be furnished with pertinent information upon interview of [redacted] as it pertains to Charles Joseph Whitman.

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On August 24, 1966, the New Haven Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation advised as follows:

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On August 19, 1966, [redacted] United States Marine Corps. (USMC), was interviewed at the home of his parents, [redacted]. He advised that he is scheduled to report to his next duty station, Marine Barracks, U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, on September 17, 1966.

[redacted] stated he was acquainted with Charles Joseph Whitman from about January or February 1964, until December, 1964, when Whitman was discharged from the USMC. He said sometime during January or February, 1964, Whitman was transferred from either the Sixth or Eighth Marines, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, to Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, Second Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N. C., where he, [redacted] was assigned to the legal office. He recalled that Whitman was assigned to the Personnel Section and performed his personnel duties, administrative in nature, under the immediate direction and supervision of [redacted] who seemed to know him quite well and kept after Whitman in a friendly way. [redacted] said that prior to coming to Headquarters Company, Whitman had been court-martialed for lending money for profit in violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, and when assigned to Headquarters Company was still serving a portion of his sentence (90 days of hard labor without confinement). [redacted] stated that in connection with this court-martial, he believed a Lt. Stencil was Whitman's attorney and he learned that Whitman had loaned money, amount unknown, to another Marine, name unknown, to go home on leave. Upon his return, the borrower was to pay Whitman the money back, plus some interest. When he did not do so, Whitman asked him for the money and was refused. The borrower then reported Whitman to the Military Police and he was arrested. [redacted] said he knows nothing else about this matter but recalls that Whitman told him several times that if he ever ran across the man who turned him in, he would "belt him."

[redacted] said he seldom saw Whitman angry, but when Whitman spoke about the above individual, he displayed anger verbally, but not physically.

[redacted] stated that his associations with Whitman was limited to conversations in the Headquarters Company office building, where they both worked, at meal time, in their

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squad bay (barracks), and three or four times when he and Whitman drank together at various bars in Jacksonville, North Carolina. He noted that Whitman had a part-time evening job at Bernard's Clothing Store in Jacksonville, which job he held until shortly before he was discharged. Consequently, according to [ ] he did not see Whitman usually in the evenings, and as a matter of fact, did not usually see or hear him come into the barracks at night. He stated, however, that Whitman was always in his bed at reveille and ready for the day's work.

[ ] said that during his conversations with Whitman, he learned that Whitman had attended the University of Texas as a student under the Marine Corps Naval Enlisted Scientific Training Program (NESTP). He indicated that under this program Whitman, after agreeing to an extension of his obligated service time, was sent to the University of Texas for four years, free of charge, and upon graduation was to be commissioned as a Marine Officer. He said that if Whitman had not "shipped over" for this program, he would have been eligible for discharge sometime during the spring or early summer of 1964. [ ] believes Whitman's attendance at the University of Texas was around 1963. He added that Whitman told him that after attending this school for about six months, he was removed from the course and transferred back to Camp Lejeune for failure to make satisfactory grades. According to [ ] Whitman was disappointed and discouraged with life in the Marine Corps because of the above and also because of his court-martial. His only interest, according to [ ] after coming to Headquarters Company was to finish his time and get discharged from the USMC.

[ ] stated that Whitman felt that the Marine Corps had been wrong for removing him from the above school and was of the opinion that he had made satisfactory grades. To prove this, [ ] said, Whitman had written a letter to the Dean of the University of Texas. The letter was answered and indicated that Whitman had received satisfactory grades. [ ] said that Whitman knew that even though the letter proved that his grades were satisfactory and the Marine Corps was wrong, he could not return to the NESTP program since the court-martial precluded his becoming an officer.

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[redacted] indicated that Whitman told him that he had requested the Commandant of the Marine Corps to discharge the extended obligated time he had assumed for the NESTP Program, which would make him eligible for discharge in 1964; however, his request was refused. [redacted] recalled that Whitman then wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Navy requesting a "mast". [redacted] said he believed shortly after writing the above letter, Whitman received a telephone call in the Headquarters Company office from his father. He recalled that after the conversation was over, Whitman mentioned to him that his father had asked him how much it was worth to him to get out of the Marine Corps. [redacted] said he did not pursue this with Whitman nor did he ever learn exactly what was meant by it. He noted that Whitman just mentioned it casually and did not appear overly excited about his father's question. In addition, [redacted] remembered that about one month later, Whitman received a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, which he showed to [redacted]. This letter indicated that although the Secretary of the Navy did not think a personal audience was necessary, he would discharge the remainder of Whitman's extended obligated service time if Whitman requested it and if Whitman would agree to serve one month in the Marine Corps beyond the original date of his discharge, for each month he spent at the University of Texas. [redacted] indicated that Whitman sent a letter in return requesting the above and agreeing to the latter stipulation.

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[redacted] recalled that on one occasion, exact date unrecalled, but believed to be in the fall of 1964, he and Whitman had returned to Camp Lejeune from Jacksonville, N. C., where they had made the rounds of the local bars. He said that although he and Whitman had been drinking, neither was intoxicated. After leaving the bus depot on the base, they walked toward their barracks and were almost there when five or six other unknown Marines "jumped" them. He said he ran toward the barracks but they caught Whitman and knocked him down, kicking and bruising his face. Before he could get assistance, Whitman entered the barracks. He was bruised and sore and both he and [redacted] reported the matter to the Officer of the Day. Whitman was treated at sick bay and both were questioned by an agent of the Criminal Investigations Division, who took statements from them about the incident. [redacted] said he did not know the identity of the persons who assaulted Whitman, nor did Whitman. He said the attack was unprovoked as both he and Whitman were minding their own business at the time. He remarked that the rumor around the barracks after the incident was that the assault had been made

by some members of the Military Police Company who mistook them for someone else. At any rate, according to [redacted] although Whitman was bruised, he did not appear very angry or bitter, nor did he hold a grudge because of this incident. [redacted] said that as far as he knows, the identity of the individuals who assaulted Whitman was never determined.

Concerning Whitman himself, [redacted] said he was an easy-going person who got along well with other Marines. Whitman appeared to have a good outlook on life and during the period of their acquaintance [redacted] could not recall any other problems Whitman had, other than his disillusionment with the Marine Corps as a result of his court-martial and failure in the NESTP Program. [redacted] said Whitman did not speak very much about this problem either, and although it was obvious that he was somewhat bitter about it, he did not dwell on the subject, but seemed more interested in finishing his Marine Corps time and returning to the University of Texas as a civilian student to complete his education.

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[redacted] said that Whitman, to his knowledge, was not a heavy drinker, did not have any homosexual tendencies, nor was he addicted to any type of drug. On the contrary, he stated, Whitman kept himself in excellent physical shape and did exercises with an exercise strap and grips that he had in his locker. He was always "squared away" and never sloppy, according to [redacted]. As far as [redacted] knew, Whitman had no girlfriends nor did he "run around". He noted that because of Whitman's part-time evening job, he knew quite a few girls, but to the best of his knowledge, Whitman never dated any. He recalled Whitman's telling him once that he was always faithful to his wife and would never "fool around" with other women.

[redacted] said he knew very little about Whitman's family other than that they were living in Florida at one time. He believed Whitman had met and married his wife while at the University of Texas, and he received letters regularly from her. Whitman never exhibited any hostility toward either of his parents and [redacted] assumed that he got along well with

them. He noted that Whitman's father was trying to help him get out of the Marine Corps and, therefore, considered that Whitman and his father were friendly. Whitman never spoke much about his parents and [ ] could recall nothing more about them or about Whitman's feelings toward them. [ ] stated that Whitman, as a matter of fact, seldom displayed any anger or hostility toward anyone. The only person he appeared to be mad at was the Marine who turned him in to the Military Police, which resulted in his court-martial.

[ ] said that while at Headquarters Company, Whitman did not display any unusual interest in guns or any other hobby. He noted that Whitman was busy working evenings at the above clothing store. [ ] said to the best of his recollection, Whitman did not go to the Rifle Range for his annual two weeks shooting period. He was not positive, but believed Whitman was either an expert rifleman or a sharpshooter. He indicated that Whitman had a blackjack that he kept in his locker which was made of a piece of pipe containing some lead. He recalled seeing this blackjack once but to the best of his recollection, Whitman never took it out of the locker. He remembered that shortly before leaving Camp Lejeune in December, 1964, Whitman ordered a shotgun, type and gauge unknown, from the Post Exchange since he told [ ] that guns were cheaper at the Post Exchange. [ ] was unable to furnish any additional information regarding this gun. He recalled that the last time he saw Whitman was in December, 1964, when he borrowed a friend's car and drove Whitman to the airport at Wilmington, N. C., so he could return home after his discharge.

[ ] stated that in reviewing his list of Marine correspondents, the following Marines knew Whitman and might be able to furnish additional information about him:

[ ]  
Telephone [ ]  
(Discharged September, 1964)



[redacted]  
New Britain, Connecticut  
(Believes in Viet Nam)

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[redacted]  
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina

[redacted] further stated that shortly before Whitman was discharged from the Marine Corps, he furnished [redacted] with his home address in the event [redacted] wished to visit him in Texas:

Charles J. Whitman  
1001 Shelley Avenue  
Austin, Texas  
Telephone GR 6-4441

[redacted] stated he intended to visit Whitman at the above address on his return from Viet Nam while en route to Connecticut until he learned while in Hong Kong of Whitman's actions in Texas.

[redacted] noted that Whitman was an unusually nervous sleeper and if awakened from a sound sleep would sit up erect in bed with his hands cocked ready to fight.

[redacted] concluded by saying that during his association with Whitman, the latter always appeared to be a "regular guy", never exhibited any undue hostility or anger, never expressed any interest in guns or killing, and never displayed any vicious tendencies.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

ATTENTION: Major K. R. Herbert



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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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438 Federal Building  
Post Office Box 1630  
San Antonio, Texas 78206

August 29, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 29, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department; and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted], of this office.

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On August 19, 1966, Mr. O. N. Humphreys, supra, advised that investigation has revealed that one Francis Joseph Schuck, Jr., was a close friend of subject Charles Joseph Whitman and may have resided with Whitman at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, during 1961 - 1962. Mr. Humphreys stated it was his information that Schuck may be in the U. S. Navy as a First Class Petty Officer and may be on the Submarine John C. Calhoun. It was further determined that Schuck's mother apparently resides in Houston, Texas.

On August 25, 1966, the Houston Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation furnished the following information:

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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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On August 24, 1966. [redacted]

[redacted] advised

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On August 25, 1966 [redacted]

[redacted] Francis Joseph Schuck, Jr., in December, 1965, which showed him as "MT (SS), USS John C. Calhoun, Charleston, S. C."

Steps are now being taken to have Schuck interviewed and you will be advised of the results.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
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ATTENTION: MAJOR H. R. HERBERT

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August 25, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 25, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, and Agent Forrest Burleson, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted]

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On August 25, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI advised that contact had been made with [redacted]

[redacted] regarding [redacted]

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advised that records were not immediately available but should be available in approximately one week.

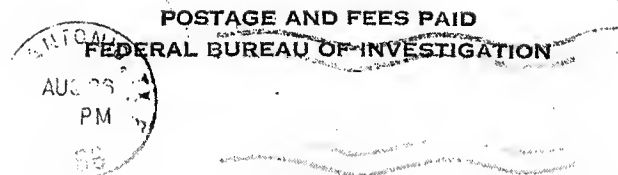
You will be advised of the results of the investigation conducted by the Miami Office of the FBI regarding this matter.

The above is being furnished for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Yours very truly,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

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Chief of Police  
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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 6, 1966, to W. A. Cowan, Assistant Agent in Charge, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Sgt. Richard Pilgrim, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas Police Department, by SA George W. H. Carlson.

On August 6, 1966, the Charlotte Office of the FBI furnished the following information.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Registrar's Office, East Carolina College, Greenville, North Carolina, advised that subject Whitman had taken an extension course at that school during the spring of 1964. She stated that this course was taken by subject Whitman through an extension program offered to the U. S. Marine Corps, Camp Lejeune. She further advised subject Whitman never had attended school on campus and would have completed his extension course through Camp Lejeune. The course was American History and the grade received was an "A" which is rated by the school as above average.

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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
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On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Identification Division, Kinston Police Department, Kinston, North Carolina, advised she could locate no records in the PD files identifiable with subject Whitman.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] CID, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised that his files indicate that Charles Joseph Whitman, MSN 1871634, was the victim of an assault as recorded in complaint number 2720-128-241. A review of this complaint reveals that Whitman, WM, DOB 6/24/41, and [redacted] were assaulted by four or five unknown subjects at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, at 12:15 AM, October 8, 1964. [redacted] escaped injury; however, Whitman claimed to have been knocked to the ground and kicked in the head. The CID complaint made out by [redacted] indicates that Whitman was treated for a headache and dizzy spells by the Medical Officer of the Day, Building 15, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

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[redacted] Base Dispensary, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised that his medical sick call log indicates that Charles Joseph Whitman was treated at 1:50 AM on October 8, 1964, for head injuries. Hargraves advised that an injury and treatment record indicates that Charles Joseph Whitman, MSN 1871634, was treated for injury in which the patient stated, "While walking, returning from liberty, I was attacked by several men sustaining injuries." The diagnosis revealed abrasions of the right knee. Whitman was seen by medical officer, abrasions cleaned with PhisoHex, given a neurological examination (negative), and given aspirin for a headache. Hargraves advised that the Medical Officer was Lt. A. B. Kirsner, Medical Corps, U. S. Navy Reserves.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Uncle Sam's Pawn Shop, Court St., Jacksonville, North Carolina, advised that Charles Joseph Whitman was formerly employed as night clerk at Benard's Clothing Store from approximately August of 1963 until August of 1964.

On August 3, 1966, the following persons at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina advised that they could locate nothing in their files identifiable with subject Whitman:

[redacted] Clerk  
Credit Bureau  
Jacksonville, N. C.

[redacted] Clerk  
Jacksonville Police Department  
Jacksonville, N.C.

[redacted]  
Division CID  
Camp Lejeune, N.C.

[redacted]  
Patient Affairs Division  
U. S. Naval Hospital  
Camp Lejeune, N.C.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted]  
Corrections Officer, the Brig, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina,  
advised that he located a personnel data card on subject  
Whitman and that a review of it revealed the following infor-  
mation:

Name	Charles Joseph Whitman
Rank	Corporal (E-14)
MSN	1871634
Military Address	H Co., 2nd Marines, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	25
Height	71½"
Weight	195 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Blond
Complexion	Medium
Religion	Catholic
Education	14 years
Marital Status	Married
GTC Score	138

Scars and Marks

MOS

Social Security No.

Scar on right knee cap  
0311 (Infantry rifleman)  
262 60 9109

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] advised Whitman was confined to the Brig at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, from November 1, 1963, to November 14, 1963. He advised he was never a sentenced prisoner and was being detained under Article 134, Uniform Code of Military Justice, which is a general catch-all type area. [redacted] stated that the records concerning Whitman while confined at the Brig have since been destroyed.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised according to his records Charles Joseph Whitman, MSN 1871634, was given a special courts-martial, non-bad conduct discharge on December 30, 1963. He mentioned that the transcript of the courts-martial proceedings had been transferred during April, 1964, to the Navy Branch, Federal Military Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. He mentioned that he does not recall this specific courts-martial and stated he does not believe there is anyone assigned to the Legal Division that was here during that time.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, advised that he has been [redacted] of that unit during the past eleven months. He mentioned that the only person within Headquarters Battalion who may recall the subject would be [redacted]

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised he has been in his present unit since July 28, 1964. He recalled the subject Whitman who was assigned as a quotas clerk in Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He described Whitman as a hard worker, extremely intelligent and became easily angered when things went wrong. He mentioned that Whitman was definitely not a Marine Corps-minded individual and he wanted out of the Marine Corps. He recalled that Whitman attended the University of Texas at Austin, Texas, under the Navy Enlisted Scientific Program (NESEP) for approximately two years. He

described this program as being a program for enlisted men in the Navy or Marine Corps who are sent to civilian colleges to acquire an education. He mentioned that Whitman even though averaged about a "B" while attending the college, did not meet the minimum grade point average as required by the Marine Corps for this program. He recalled that Whitman had advised him that he had done some gambling while at the University of Texas and that is the reason his average was low.

[redacted] stated that Whitman was court-martialed for loaning money at a high rate of interest. He recalled that Whitman did not go to Spain with the rest of the regiment and was left behind in Sub Unit 1, Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Division, from October through November, 1964. He mentioned that [redacted] who is now stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, was Whitman's immediate supervisor while Whitman was in Headquarters Battalion.

He mentioned that [redacted] Battalion Supply, 2nd Marine Division, may have been acquainted with Whitman.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] who was [redacted] Headquarters Bn., at the time Whitman was discharged from the Marine Corps, gave Whitman a letter of recommendation because he considered him such a capable worker.

[redacted] 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised on August 3, 1966 that the only person who may have known Whitman is [redacted] H. Company, 2nd Bn., 2nd Marines. He advised that [redacted] of a Sub Unit because the rest of the regiment is presently on a Mediterranean cruise.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] East Carolina College Center, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised that according to his registration information, Charles Joseph Whitman, MSN 1871634, Headquarters Co., Headquarters Bn., 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, filed an application on April 6, 1964, to attend an American History Since 1865 course which was being offered from April to June, 1964. He advised that Whitman attended the course with 29 other students and received an "A" for completion of the course.

He mentioned that Whitman was given three credits and 15 quality points for completion of the course. He mentioned that [redacted] Greenville, North Carolina, instructed the course and stated he could be located through the East Carolina College Extension Office at Greenville, North Carolina. He advised that the names of the other 29 students who attended the American History course with Whitman are readily available at his, [redacted] office.

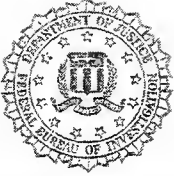
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Very truly yours,

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August 26, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 24, 1966, in which you were informed that in connection with subject Charles Joseph Whitman, subject Whitman's father relinquished copies of autobiography written by subject Whitman. You were informed that copies were being obtained and would be furnished to you upon receipt.

On August 24, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI furnished copies of "Autobiography of Charles Joseph Whitman" written March 1, 1956.

An electrostat is being enclosed for your use, and an electrostat is being furnished to Chief of Police R. A. Miles.

In addition, the Miami Office of the FBI advised that in contacting subject Whitman's father on August 22, 1966,

Enclosure - 1

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police Department  
Austin Police  
Austin, Texas (Enc. 1)

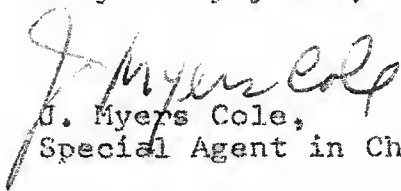
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subject Whitman's father indicated that subject Whitman's personal effects had just arrived from Austin, Texas. He stated that in looking through one of subject Whitman's calculus books, he found a white three by five card among the pages, typewritten in capital letters and underlined, containing the following verse:

"YESTERDAY IS NOT MINE TO RECOVER.  
"BUT TOMORROW IS MINE TO WIN OR  
"TO LOSE. I AM RESOLVED THAT I  
"SHALL WIN THE TOMORROWS BEFORE  
ME!!!"

The above is being furnished for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole,  
Special Agent in Charge



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Col. Hower Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087, North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter dated August 9, 1966, which sets forth information that on August 5, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, advised that [redacted] Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Food and Drug Administration, Room 723, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, was conducting investigation concerning pills found in subject Charles Joseph Whitman's possession.

You are advised that [redacted] was located in Austin, Texas, on August 9, 1966. [redacted] advised that he was conducting investigation regarding the pills; however, his final report would not be made until he returns to Dallas.

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On September 2, 1966, FBI Headquarters in Washington, D. C., advised that Edward Anderson, Division of Investigation, Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Washington, D. C., has authorized that the enclosed report of [redacted] dated August 10, 1966, be furnished to you. [redacted]

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles (Enc. 1)  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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422 Federal Building  
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September 8, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on September 8, 1966, to Major K. E. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office. This information was also furnished to Mr. Larry Temple, First Assistant to Governor John B. Connally of Texas.

On September 8, 1966, Mr. Temple, supra, advised that on that morning, prior to Governor Connally's briefing by doctors who were conducting medical inquiry regarding Charles Joseph Whitman, Governor Connally inquired as to the present whereabouts of subject Whitman's father.

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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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On September 8, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI advised that at approximately 12 Noon on September 8, 1966, subject's father was observed in the yard of his residence in Lakeworth, Florida.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 22, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 9, 1966, which sets forth information that Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas Police Department, advised that [redacted] Bureau of Drug Abuse and Control, Food and Drug Administration, Room 723, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, was conducting an investigation concerning pills found in subject Charles Joseph Whitman's possession. You were advised that the Dallas Office of the FBI had been requested to follow this matter with the Bureau of Drug Abuse and Control.

On August 18, 1966, the Dallas Office of the FBI advised as follows:

On August 18, 1966, [redacted] Supra, advised he had completed his investigation concerning pills found in subject Whitman's possession but that his report has not, as yet, been typed. [redacted] stated he hopes to have it typed within the next few days and will make available his report for copying.

You will be furnished a copy of this report as soon as it is received by the San Antonio Office of the FBI.

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Austin Police Department  
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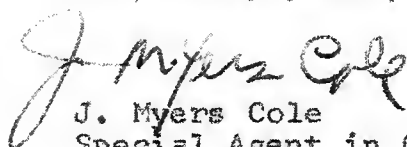
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Reference is also made to my letters to you dated August 15, 1966, and August 16, 1966, dealing with handwriting examination conducted by authorities at Fort Gordon, Georgia, in connection with subject Whitman. You were advised that copies of Laboratory report would be obtained and forwarded to your office.

Enclosed for your office and enclosed for the Office of the Chief of Police Miles, Austin, Texas, is an electrostat copy of U. S. Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory Report, Fort Gordon, Georgia, No. D298-63, Unit Case No. 2-742-63.

The above is being furnished for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Myers Cole".

J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 12, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 18, 1966, to Major E. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson.

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 12, 1966, dealing with the requested interview of [redacted] and [redacted]

On August 16, 1966, the New Haven Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation advised as follows:

On August 16, 1966, [redacted] advised that her son [redacted] telephoned her on August 9, 1966, from Hong Kong and during the ensuing conversation expressed shock and surprise upon learning of Charles Joseph Whitman's actions in Texas. She stated her son intended to visit with subject Whitman in Texas as a side trip while en route to Connecticut. [redacted] further indicated her son contacted her from California on August 14, 1966, and advised he would arrive in Vernon, Connecticut, on either August 18 or 19, 1966.

You will be furnished with pertinent information upon interview of [redacted]

cc-R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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Very truly yours,

  
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August 17, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letters to you dated August 3, 1966, August 4, 1966, and August 9, 1966, in which you were furnished information obtained by the Miami Office of the FBI with respect to Charles Joseph Whitman.

The following information in part supplements the information previously furnished to you:

By communication dated August 10, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI furnished the following information:

On August 2, 1966, Sister [redacted] Cardinal Newman High School, West Palm Beach, and [redacted] of St. Ann's High School, also West Palm Beach, Florida, advised as follows:

Sister [redacted] stated that [redacted] St. Ann's High School, she vividly recalled Charles Joseph Whitman as one of her former students. She added that St. Ann's High School ceased to function as a High School in June, 1961.

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
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Sister [ ] stated that her records reveal that Charles Joseph Whitman attended primary parochial grades at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida. He entered St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, on September 1, 1955, and was graduated on May 31, 1959. She added that his birth is reflected as June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, and his address during the time he attended St. Ann's High School is reflected as 820 S. "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida.

Sister [ ] stated that she recalled Whitman as being an excellent student who ranked number seven in a Senior Graduating Class of 72 students. She advised that he participated in many of the school's activities, was popular among the student body and to her knowledge never a disciplinary problem. She advised that his attendance record was normal except for his Junior year (1957-1958), when he was hospitalized for a ruptured appendix. Sister vaguely recalled that this occurred in February of 1957. She added that she recalled that after the operation, Whitman had a relapse and was again confined to the hospital. She advised that Whitman aborted his convalescent period and was absent a total of 26 days. She continued that his student medical record reflects normal childhood diseases and there is no history of headaches or head injuries.

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Sister [ ] advised that transcripts of Whitman's grades while at St. Ann's High School, were sent to the following on the dates indicated:

August 7, 1959, to the Commandant, Recruit Training, Parris Island, South Carolina.

October 24, 1960, to the U. S. Navy, Fleet Office, New York City, New York, in care of First Lieutenant Burdette.

July 6, 1961, to R. T. R.-M. C. R. D., 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, Parris Island, South Carolina.

July 6 and July 22, 1961, to the Registrar, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

April 17, 1968, to the Commanding Officer, "H" Company, Second Battalion, Second Marines, Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted] Miami Herald, Lake Worth, Florida, advised subject Whitman carried papers for him for about two years when subject Whitman was 16 or 17 years of age, and added both of subject Whitman's brothers, Pat and John Whitman, have carried for him in the past. He said he did not know subject Whitman's parents at all well. He said subject Whitman as well as his brothers were all good workers; dependable and no problem to him. He said subject Whitman always appeared to him to be a well-adjusted, stable young man although he may have had a tendency to take criticism a bit too personally. By this, he explained he often left notes for the carriers about customers missed or customer complaints, and he might add to the note a remark that that customer had been missed too much. He recalled once subject Whitman's asking him why he made the notes "sound so mean." [redacted] said he did not know why subject Whitman considered the notes in that manner since they were no more than what he described above. [redacted] said from what he knew of subject Whitman, his recent actions took him completely by surprise.

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[redacted] said he had no personal knowledge of subject Whitman's family life and no knowledge that subject Whitman was ever at odds with his parents. He said he did recall that subject Whitman's brother, Pat, ran away from home once but came back after a very short time when he wrecked his car. He also knows that subject Whitman's brother, John, moved out of the family house several months ago, for reasons unknown to [redacted]. He said he did not know if the cause for either act had anything to do with or in any way affected subject.

On August 2, 1966, upon being interviewed,

[redacted] Police Department, related the following:

[redacted] advised that he has known the Whitman family for approximately twelve years. He advised that the Whitman family resides in a neighborhood of homes valued in the \$12,000 to \$15,000 price range. He stated that Mr. Whitman is a well known Lake Worth businessman who operates his own plumbing company. He continued that both Mr. and Mrs. Whitman are well known in the community as being active in civic and church affairs. Mr. Whitman, at one time, ran for public office as a City Commissioner in the City of Lake Worth. He stated that he recalled that Mrs. Whitman held an officer's position in the "Mother's, Teachers Club," at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

[redacted] advised that he has had no contact and has not seen the subject Whitman in approximately five years. However, he related that when the subject Whitman was a young boy growing up in the community, he had frequent contact with the subject Whitman in scouting activities at the Church of the Sacred Heart. He explained that at one time, [redacted] Troop 119, of the Church of the Sacred Heart and that Mr. Whitman was the Scoutmaster. He continued that when the subject Whitman was approximately 13 years of age, he was successful in obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout. He added that he recalled that the subject Whitman was also a candidate for the highest award in scouting in the Catholic Church, but he could not recall whether the subject actually received this award or not. He advised that he would describe the subject Whitman as "The Typical All-American Boy."

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[redacted] stated that he has had numerous conversations with Mr. Whitman, specifically concerning the juvenile activities of John Michael Whitman. He explained that John Michael Whitman has a juvenile arrest record and that the conversations with the father were centered on a solution to this problem. He advised that of the three Whitman boys, John Michael Whitman was the only one that had had any contact with the police department. He opined that apparently John Michael has rebelled

against parental restrictions placed upon him and refused to live in the same house with his father. He further stated that Patrick Whitman, on the other hand, is an exceptionally fine boy who at one time studied for the Priesthood in the Catholic religion.

He advised that apparently there was an absence of marital bliss in the Whitman home. He advised that he recalled that a few months ago, officers of his department went to the Whitman home to answer a disturbance. He stated that shortly after this disturbance, the subject Whitman's mother, Margaret Whitman, and apparently John Michael left Mr. Whitman and joined the subject Whitman in Austin, Texas. He stated that he recalled that subject Whitman's mother and John Michael returned to the Lake Worth area, remaining in the area only a short time when the mother again joined subject Whitman in Austin, Texas. On the return of subject Whitman's mother, and John Michael, both refused to live in the home with Mr. Whitman. He stated that John Michael continues to refuse to live with his father and is believed to have a room somewhere in the city.

[redacted] described subject Whitman's mother as one of the most gracious ladies that he has had the pleasure of knowing and as one whose only interest in life was her family. He advised that in a recalled conversation with subject Whitman's mother, she mentioned that subject Whitman during the Cuban crisis was stationed at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base in Cuba.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted]  
[redacted] Police Department, advised there had been some speculation at the Police Department about the possible actions of subject Whitman's youngest brother, John Whitman, in view of recent events. He said John once, in order to get back at his father for something, threw a rock through a large plate glass window. More recently, perhaps five or six months ago, John moved from his father's home and lived elsewhere in Lake Worth with friends. After leaving his father's home, John was

fined in Lake Worth Municipal Court for possession of an alcoholic beverage. The judge offered to suspend the fine if John would return to his father's home and John chose to pay the fine rather than abide by the condition.

[redacted] said John has also come to the attention of that department as a window peeper and also came to his personal attention when a local doctor advised he had ordered John off of his premises and to stay away from his daughter and John was a bit nasty about it. [redacted] said he believed John is a little "wilder" than the average teenage boy and although there was no actual reason for it, there was speculation as to whether or not he might blame instant matter on his father and, if so, what he might do. [redacted] said this matter was further complicated by a lack of knowledge as to the whereabouts of John Whitman.

Subsequently on that date, information obtained from subject Whitman's father to the effect that John Whitman had been visiting in Asbury Park, New Jersey, but had been contacted and was on his way home, was passed on to [redacted]. On August 4, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised he had been able to verify that John had been in New Jersey and that he had returned to Lake Worth on the previous night. He said that the speculation on the part of that Department was still founded on nothing more than the above information but still, in light of that, and in light of known dislike for Mr. Whitman by other relatives in the area, some special precautions were planned. He said they planned to institute heavy police escort around the Whitman residence; the church, and the cemetery on the date of subject Whitman's and his mother's funeral, which would be expected anyway in view of the national publicity attending the matter, and they are alert for any actual evidence to verify their fears. He said there is a lack of such evidence but they are nevertheless alert to the possibility.

In a recontact with [redacted] on August 5, 1966, he stated that the funeral services

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conducted at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida, on the morning of August 5, 1966, for subject Whitman and his mother, were conducted without incident. He advised that his department had taken precautions to guard against an incident in anticipation of a large crowd of on-lookers; however, the crowd of on-lookers was small and no problems were encountered. He stated that the funeral services were extensively photographed by press photographers and television networks.

On August 2, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] subject Whitman and his parents and he has known them through [redacted] since the early 1950's, at which time subject Whitman was about ten years old. He said he is acquainted with subject Whitman's father and brothers but hardly knew subject Whitman's mother.

[redacted] said subject Whitman attended Catholic grade and high schools in the area and he believed he started in college after graduating from high school but that was for only a short period of time and he entered the Marine Corps. He said he has not seen subject Whitman since he entered the Marines as he has been in Texas since leaving the service.

[redacted] recalled subject Whitman had a large paper route when he was in high school and worked some in his father's plumbing business but he did not know him to be otherwise employed. He said he had the impression subject Whitman was going to college in Texas on some sort of an Officer's Training Program or Government Grant, but he could not be specific about that. While in high school, subject played piano in a teenage dance band [redacted] and he said he found subject Whitman to be a serious, talented, and an apparently well-behaved, well-adjusted boy. He said he saw nothing strange or different about subject Whitman and saw no signs of instability and recalled nothing which might have given rise to the suspicion that subject Whitman might do what he did.

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[redacted] said the only "odd" member of the family, insofar as he was concerned, was subject Whitman's father, whom [redacted] admitted he dislikes intensely. He said subject Whitman did not play long in the teenage dance band because of some sort of a disagreement with his father about his doing so, but at the same time subject Whitman's father was so insistent that subject Whitman played the piano and played it well that he kept a whip on the piano to insure that subject Whitman practiced.

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[redacted] said it was his understanding, from conversation he had heard among his wife's family, that subject Whitman's father was not the least bit shy about the use of physical force in dealing with his immediate family although he was good to his family in a material way. He said he knows Mr. Whitman to be a "monumental egotist" who dominated everyone he could dominate and who spices every conversation with brags about his successes and what he has been able to do for other persons. He said Mr. Whitman has been moderately successful but nothing like he would have one believe. He said Mr. Whitman is domineering, inconsiderate, egotistical and overly strict with his family but he thought these are personality traits and did not suggest to him any insanity in the family. He said he can easily see why subject Whitman would dislike his father and he believed, in fact, he did dislike him, and he surmised that situation might bear on subject Whitman's apparent "breakdown," but he could not see how it could cause subject Whitman to turn on persons he apparently loved.

On August 2, 1966, a source in West Palm Beach, Florida, with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine reliability, but who is reported to have known subject Whitman and his father [redacted] and subject Whitman's mother [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that subject Whitman was born and raised in Lake Worth, Florida, which is adjacent to West Palm Beach, and has two younger brothers, Patrick Whitman, who is married and resides in Lake Worth where he works with his father, and the youngest brother, John Michael Whitman, who is either a Senior in high school or just graduated from high school. Source said John Michael Whitman

had been living at home with his parents but source believed he went with his mother to Austin, Texas, several months ago when she moved there. Source advised, however, that it was source's understanding John was not in Austin, Texas, when instant incident occurred but rather was in New Jersey or some place near New Jersey visiting at the time. Source said source did not know if he now makes his residence in Florida or Texas.

Source said subject Whitman's mother was a "good Catholic" and raised her children in the church, but subject Whitman's father never showed any real interest in religion. Source said subject Whitman went to Sacred Heart Grade School in Lake Worth and St. Ann's High School in West Palm Beach. Source said subject Whitman had a rather large paper route while he was in high school and helped his father some in his father's business but aside from that source did not know him to have been employed in the area. Source said following his graduation from high school source seemed to recall that subject Whitman enrolled in and possibly attended Georgia Tech., Atlanta, Georgia, for a short time before entering the United States Marine Corps. He was in the Marine Corps for about four years and following that entered school in Texas so source has seen him only briefly since his graduation from high school. Source said subject Whitman married a girl from Texas whom source has never met. Source did not know why subject Whitman chose Texas to go to college. Source believed that for awhile, at least, the Marine Corps, or some U. S. Government agency was assisting subject Whitman in his education in Texas, but source believed that assistance was later dropped, and subject Whitman's father gave him some financial aid.

Source described subject Whitman as a likeable, intelligent, apparently well-adjusted boy and source recalled nothing which, even now, might have suggested instability on his part or give any insight into why he did what he did. Source said source had read in the newspaper that subject Whitman had recently visited a psychiatrist in Texas and that is the first source knew he had done so or would have had reason to do so. Source said subject



Whitman's recent actions came as a surprise to all of his various relatives in the Lake Worth area and none of them, to source's knowledge, could offer any explanation for what he did.

Source said subject Whitman did not come from an ideal family atmosphere and might well have had reason to dislike his father, but source did not see how that could relate to his killing his mother or wife or anyone else. Source said subject Whitman's father came from a broken home and was raised as an orphan in Florida and around Savannah, Georgia. Source believed subject Whitman's father met and married his wife in Georgia, but immediately thereafter came to Florida where he had a plumbing business for a short time in Belle Glade, Florida, before settling where he lived as a youth, in the Lake Worth area, where he has been for about 25 years. Mr. Whitman built a rather successful plumbing business in that area and he has been for years overly proud of and quick to point out that having gotten the start in life that he got, he has been a successful man. Source said Mr. Whitman is not a drinking man nor is he known to have any bad personal habits but he is very egotistical and overbearing and is not considered by his associates to be as successful or important as he believes himself to be. Source said probably because of his attitude of self-importance, Mr. Whitman also tends to be a domineering person with those persons he believes should be subordinate to him.

Source said Mr. Whitman has displayed the attitude that he wants his children to have the things he did not have and at the same time he has tried to force them to be the success in life he thinks he has been. Source said Mr. Whitman is both "overly permissive" and "overly strict"; good on the one hand and "downright mean" on the other. Source said he was a good provider, although he spoiled it by continual boasting about what he had done for the family or about what he had given

or purchased for this person or that. At the same time if he wanted one of his sons to do something or to excel in something or refrain from doing anything which did not agree with the wishes of the boy, he would go to great lengths, including physical pressure, to see that it was done in accordance with his, Mr. Whitman's, wishes. Source said Mr. Whitman was very definitely a strict disciplinarian and not adverse to physically disciplining his children.

Source said this relationship with his children also applied to his relationship with his wife and it was common knowledge in the family that there was open hostility between the parents in the home. Source said source assumed had it not been for the children and for her religion, Mrs. Whitman would probably have left her husband long before she did. She said four or five months ago, Mr. and Mrs. Whitman apparently had a very disagreeable difference of opinion, concerning which Mrs. Whitman contacted her son in Texas, the subject Whitman. Source said it was the understanding subject Whitman suggested to his mother that she leave Mr. Whitman and come to Texas, which she agreed to do, and subject Whitman came to Florida and got his mother, at which time there was another large family disagreement. Source said subject Whitman's younger brother, John Michael Whitman, left his father's house about that same time but it was not clear to source if that occurred prior to Mrs. Whitman's leaving or at the same time.

Source said Mrs. Whitman had started some legal action to obtain separate maintenance payments from her husband which her husband was fighting because he thought she was asking for far too much. Source knew Mrs. Whitman had been back in Florida on more than one occasion since moving to Texas and source assumed it had to do with these negotiations.

Source can see, from the above facts, why subject Whitman might have disliked his father to almost any degree but source could not see why that would

prompt him to injure anyone else. Source said his possession of and proficiency with guns would come to him naturally because his father always displayed a number of guns in racks in his home and Mr. Whitman and all of his boys enjoyed and did a lot of hunting and collecting of guns.

In reference to the statement of source that Mrs. Whitman had started some legal action against her husband, the following pertinent information was developed:

The records of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida, reviewed on August 2, 1966, failed to reflect the filing as of that date of any action in law or in equity as between subject Whitman's parents.

On August 3, 1966, Andrew F. O'Connell, Attorney, Harvey Building, West Palm Beach, Florida, advised that he had been working with Mrs. Whitman with and through [redacted] in an effort to arrive at a property settlement between Mr. and Mrs. Whitman which efforts had not been successful or completed at the time of the death of Mrs. Whitman. O'Connell said he has met Mr. Whitman but is not closely associated with him. He has heard Mr. Whitman admit, and almost brag, that he had been beating his wife for 20 years and he understood Mr. Whitman also was that strict with his sons. He said he was not acquainted with subject Whitman, so he knew of nothing other than the above activities of subject Whitman's father which might account for the actions of subject Whitman.

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On August 3, 1966, [redacted] and [redacted] appeared at the Resident Agency, FBI, West Palm Beach, Florida of their own volition. They said they are [redacted] and were then staying with [redacted] West Palm Beach, Florida.

They said they are tired of seeing newspaper and television publicity depicting subject Whitman's father as a grieving and blameless father because as far as they are concerned it was subject Whitman's father who killed all of the people in Austin, Texas, and subject Whitman was only the instrument who pulled the trigger. They voiced the opinion that it was the manner in which subject Whitman's father treated his family that was behind instant matter and the belief that subject Whitman did what he did in order to punish or get back at his father.

They said they watched subject grow up and described him as a fine boy with talent, intelligence and a good attitude. They said they saw nothing to indicate any lack of stability in subject Whitman or to indicate that he might do what he did and they felt certain that the thing that caused him to "break up" and do what he did was his father. They described Mr. Whitman as "a brute" and explained that by saying he beat his wife and children not only with his hands but with sticks or other instruments and he orally dealt with other persons in the same manner if he thought he could get away with it. They said if the tumor found in subject Whitman's head could have been caused by an old injury, the injury might well have been sustained at the hands of his father. They also pointed out that when subject Whitman's mother was pregnant with subject Whitman, she had to go to a hospital in Savannah, Georgia, after being hit with a stick of wood by her husband.

[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] He said they have since learned that on the Saturday before instant shooting, subject Whitman's father had cut off or indicated an intent to cut off all financial support of his wife and of subject Whitman and [REDACTED] voiced their opinion that that was the thing that finally "set Charlie off."

Both said they firmly believed the above convictions and intended to see to it that everyone who

has read or heard about subject Whitman's father in the past few days has an opportunity to know him for what he really is. [REDACTED] said since the Governor of Texas has voiced a desire to know what was behind instant matter, he intended to write the Governor and express his views on the matter.

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Concerning subject Whitman's father, they stated he was raised for a part of his life in the Bethesda Orphanage in Savannah, Georgia, and it was in Savannah he met and married his wife. Very shortly after their marriage, they moved to Florida where Mr. Whitman started a plumbing business, at first for a short time in Belle Glade, Florida, and later in Lake Worth where he has been for about 25 years and where his children were born and raised.

On August 3, 1966, subject Whitman's father, Charles A. Whitman, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, was interviewed about his knowledge of the weapons utilized by subject Whitman. He advised that the .35 caliber rifle, the M-1 carbine and the 6.35 caliber pistol belonged to him and were loaned by him to his son for use in hunting. He said the 6mm rifle with the telescope sight was purchased by subject Whitman at Chuck's Gun Shop, Austin, Texas, about June, 1965, at the same time as he, Mr. Whitman, had purchased a similar gun for hunting. He pointed out that he and his son hunted deer in Texas. He said the Luger and the .357 Magnum hand guns subject Whitman had were apparently obtained by subject Whitman while he was in the Marine Corps. He said he believed the Luger was picked up by subject Whitman at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, but he could not be specific about the other hand gun. He said he knew nothing about the shotgun subject Whitman had except that he had read in the newspaper that subject Whitman had purchased that in Austin on the day of the shooting.

Mr. Whitman advised that he would ultimately like to retrieve all of the guns subject Whitman had in his possession and he was told he should take that up with

Texas authorities when he goes to Texas.

He said he intended to leave for Texas on Sunday, August 7, 1966, after the funerals for his son and his wife, to arrive there on August 8, 1966, in the morning. He said he intended to travel under an assumed name but would be in touch with the Austin Police Department on August 7, 1966, and would like to be met by representatives of that department on his arrival, without publicity. He said his trip to Texas would be for the purpose of talking with authorities there and to pickup the personal effects of his son and his wife.

Subject Whitman's brother, Patrick Whitman, was present during this interview. Mr. Whitman advised that his son, John, had been visiting in Asbury Park, New Jersey, with whom he did not say, but they had been in contact with him and he was en route home and expected that evening.

During this interview, Patrick Whitman was sitting in a chair with one foot cocked on the opposite knee and he was not wearing shoes. At one point he asked if he might ask a question and his father's reply, in a raised voice, was "Yes, if you will put your damn feet on the floor and quit playing with your toes." Patrick stammered momentarily asking the question, explaining he had forgotten what it was he desired to ask, and then asked a question about the disposition of his mother's belongings.

When Mr. Whitman spoke of hunting deer on some leased land in Texas with subject Whitman, he included that he had paid for the lease of the land, which was arranged for by subject Whitman. With reference to the rifles he and subject Whitman had purchased at Chuck's Gun Shop in Austin, he pointed out that he had paid for both of them. He displayed with pride framed letters he



had received from college authorities in Austin reflecting on the high degree of academic achievement his son was enjoying there and included in his conversation about his son's education there that he was paying or assisting in the payment of the bills surrounding his education. When discussing the disposition of the guns possessed by subject Whitman it was pointed out to Mr. Whitman that they would ultimately probably become part of his son's estate. Apparently thinking out loud, Mr. Whitman observed that since subject Whitman's wife and mother had pre-deceased him, subject Whitman's estate would probably go to him, Mr. Whitman, unless there was a will, following which he voiced a question, apparently to himself, concerning whether or not his wife had recently changed her will.

On August 2, 1966, a second source advised that Charles J. Whitman, date of birth June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, registered under the Selective Service Act, 1948, at Local Board 43, West Palm Beach, Florida, on June 29, 1959. At the time of his registration, Whitman indicated that he was residing at 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida. He reflected his occupation as student, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia. He listed Margaret E. Whitman as the person who would always know his whereabouts.

This source stated that Whitman was subsequently assigned Selective Service Number 8-43-41-389, and was classified 1C, on March 11, 1960. This classification was subsequently changed to 4A on January 21, 1965.

This source further reported that Whitman applied for enlistment in the U. S. Marine Corps at West Palm Beach, Florida, on June 27, 1959. He entered the U. S. Marine Corps at Jacksonville, Florida, on July 6, 1959, as Charles Joseph Whitman, and was assigned Marine Service Number 1871634, with the rank of Private.

This source continued that Form DD-214 (Armed Forces of the United States Report of Transfer and Discharge), reflects that Whitman was transferred to the Marine Corps

Reserve, Marine Corps District, New Orleans, Louisiana, on December 4, 1964, effected at Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina. This source advised that this form reveals that Whitman was honorably discharged at the convenience of the Government as a Private First Class, (E-2), on July 18, 1965. His last duty assignment was indicated as Sub-Unit 1, Headquarters Company, Headquarters Battalion, Second Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force, Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina. This same form, according to this source, identified his military specialty as "0211-Rifleman." His decorations and medals are identified as, 1) good conduct; 2) Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal; 3) Sharpshooter's Rifle Badge. In the space provided for education, it is indicated one and a half years college and schools attended were identified as the U. S. Naval Preparatory School, from June 5, 1961, to August 31, 1961. It is further indicated that Whitman attended the East Carolina College, location not indicated, from April 9, 1964, to June 4, 1964, where he pursued a course in "American History from 1865." Other schools and courses reflected for Whitman are identified as the Marine Corps Institute where he studied Construction Blueprint Reading and Marine NCO, Introduction to Personnel Administration.

This source advised that on March 18, 1965, Whitman returned to Local Board 43, Selective Service Form "Standby Reserve Questionnaire", which form reflected Whitman's address as 1001 Shelley Avenue, Austin, Texas. On this form, Whitman indicated that he was separated from active duty in the U. S. Marine Corps on December 4, 1964, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Whitman, Jr., P. O. Box 1488, Lake Worth, Florida: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as the persons who would always know his whereabouts. He further reflected that he was employed part time as a bill collector by the Standard Finance Company, 612 Colorado Street, Austin, Texas. He indicated that he was a full time student at The University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

On this same form, Whitman set forth his Military Specialty as "Advanced Rifleman." He noted that he was



pursuing a course in Architectural Engineering, preparing for a consulting engineering position. He reflected that he expected to graduate from The University of Texas in June of 1967.

On this same form, this source noted that Whitman answered, "No", to the question regarding his physical and mental condition that would disqualify him for military service.

This source noted further that Form DD-889 (Standby Reserve Control Card), reflects that Whitman was transferred to the Standby Reserve, U. S. Marine Corps, on January 25, 1965, and was removed from the Standby Reserve, U. S. Marine Corps, on July 18, 1965.

This source further stated that subject Whitman's brother, Patrick Grady Whitman, date of birth April 19, 1945, at Lake Worth, Florida, is a registrant under the Selective Service Act, 1948, with Local Board 43, West Palm Beach, Florida.

This source noted that in the Selective Service file maintained for Patrick Grady Whitman, it is indicated that in March, 1966, he was residing with his brother, Charles Joseph Whitman, at 1001 Shelley Avenue, Austin, Texas. It is indicated that in April of 1966, subject Whitman's brother reported his address as 1404 West 12th Street, Apartment C, Austin, Texas, and that his brother, Charles Joseph Whitman, in April, 1966, was residing at 906 Jewel Street, Austin.

This source stated that subject Whitman's brother reflected that on August 14, 1965, he married [redacted] at Lake Worth, Florida. Under employment, this source noted that the subject Whitman's brother indicated that he was employed by the Big Three Welding and Gas Equipment Company, 4927 East 5th Street, Austin, as a truck driver and salesman. Under education, this source noted that Patrick Grady Whitman reflected that he had

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earned 20 hours in University credit, pursuing a course in Business at the University of Texas, Austin.

The records of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, West Palm Beach, Florida, reviewed on August 2, 1966, failed to reveal any record of an arrest of subject Whitman, his parents or his brothers.

Records of the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department were made available for review by [redacted] [redacted] previously mentioned, on August 2, 1966, reflected the following traffic citations were issued to the subject:

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September 4, 1957, charged with improper parking.

December 24, 1957, charged with accident.

May 24, 1958, charged with accident.

August 10, 1958, charged with running stop sign.

November 17, 1959, charged with double parking.

The traffic citations relating to the subject Whitman, describe subject Whitman in September, 1957, as being 16 years of age; height 5'2"; 124 pounds; green eyes; hair blond; and home address indicated as 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida.

This review failed to reflect a criminal arrest record for subject Whitman or his parents. However, this review revealed that subject Whitman's brother, John Michael Whitman, white male, born January 18, 1949, at Lake Worth, Florida, was arrested on July 9, 1966, on a charge of "Physical possession of Alcohol." Subject Whitman's brother was arrested on Complaint Number 70865, and was assigned Lake Worth Police Department Arrest Number 6603.

Records further reflected that the following complaints were received at the Lake Worth Police Department, relating to the Whitman family:

1) Complaint Number 68341, received on March 2, 1966, at 9:30 PM, concerning a disturbance at 820 South "L" Street, from a complainant who refused to identify themselves reflects the following:

"Caller stated that the people at the above address were going to kill each other."

Above officers, Officer Arbour and Officer Hogan, report all quiet on their arrival and all quiet when they left.

2) Complaint Number 68342, was received at 11:20 PM, on March 2, 1966, from Charles J. Whitman, 1001 Shelley Avenue, Apartment A, Austin, Texas, telephonically advising the Lake Worth Police Department as follows:

"Above complainant called in reference to Complaint Number 68341 (Complaint Number 1). Complainant advised that Mr. Charles A. Whitman, of 820 South "L" Street, had threatened to do bodily harm to his mother. He advises that he is en route to this city at this time to pick up his mother and requests that if any further disturbances occur at the above location, will notify Mr. Patrick Whitman of 428 Tallulah Drive, Lantana, Florida."

3) Complaint Number 68382, reflects that on March 4, 1966, at 4:05 PM, Mrs. Margaret E. Whitman, 820 South "L" Street, telephonically advised the Lake Worth Police Department as follows:

"Complainant called Station and requested an officer to go to the above location to standby while she removed her personal effects. Above officers, (Lieutenant Sargent and Officer Arbour)

"stood by for one hour and fifteen minutes, complainant and husband were arguing, giving each other all kinds of trouble for the entire time, all nonsense. Lieutenant Sargent orders all persons on this shift not to go to this address while anyone removes personal effects."

Records of the Credit Bureau of the Palm Beaches, West Palm Beach, Florida, were caused to be reviewed on August 3, 1966, and revealed the following information:

A credit file is maintained under the name Charles Joseph Whitman since February 6, 1962, based on information telephonically furnished by "Mother". The address for Charles Joseph Whitman at this time, was reflected as Room 707, Goodall Wooten Dormitory, University of Texas, Austin, Texas. Whitman is identified as a student pursuing a course under the Naval Scientific Program. His income is reflected at \$250 a month, and a savings account is listed at the First Federal Savings and Loan, Lake Worth, Florida. There was no credit rating reflected for Charles Joseph Whitman, since no credit inquiries were received concerning subject Whitman.

A credit file is reflected as being maintained for C. A. Whitman, Jr., and wife, Margaret, residence 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, since August, 1963. This credit file reflects that Mr. Whitman is self-employed as a plumbing contractor since 1941. A Federal Tax Lien is noted as being filed on June 25, 1964, in the amount of \$1,588.93, which is indicated as having been satisfied on November 24, 1964. Mr. and Mrs. Whitman are indicated as having a favorable credit rating set forth as from "satisfactory to very good."

Credit file further reflects that a file has been maintained for C. A. Whitman, Jr., and Sons, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida, since November 18, 1964.

This credit file reflects that a suit was filed by E. J. Brodbeck and Sons, against C. A. Whitman, Jr., and Sons, in the Small Claims Court, Palm Beach County, on July 11, 1966, for \$406.20. In this same file, the C. A. Whitman, Jr., and Sons, are described as being engaged in the plumbing, heating, welding, septic tank installation business. The main plant is located at 416 Northwest 6th Avenue, Boynton Beach, Florida, and that the office is located at the home of Mr. Whitman, 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth. The business is described as having four cars, 21 trucks, and about 28 full time employees.

In 1963, the net worth was estimated at \$289,463 and the gross annual sales is set forth as \$308,433. The credit rating is indicated as "prompt."

By communication dated August 11, 1966, the Miami Office furnished the following additional information:

On August 8, 1966 [redacted]

[redacted] advised she has lived in that neighborhood [redacted] and although she was not closely associated with the Whitman family [redacted] she did know them and saw the boys grow up in the neighborhood. She said she was quite shocked to hear that subject Whitman had acted as he did in Texas and recalled nothing which would have indicated to her, even now, that he was capable of or likely to do such a thing. She said subject Whitman and his brothers all seemed to be good, normal boys and she recalled nothing about subject Whitman which might have indicated any lack of stability or any different behavior pattern on his part or show a tendency towards being cruel or mean in any way.

On that same date, [redacted]

[redacted] advised she has lived in that area [redacted] and she knew him and his family as neighbors, although they were not close. She said probably none of the neighbors

were very close to the Whitmans since Mr. Whitman is a quite disagreeable man, but the boys all seemed to be good boys and they were, to her knowledge, well thought of and well liked in the area. She said subject Whitman has not been seen much in the area since he left to enter the Armed Forces, but from her recollection of him, she saw nothing different or unusual in his behavior and nothing to indicate he had a "mean streak" or was in any way other than a normal boy.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised she has resided [redacted]

[redacted] watched the Whitman boys grow up, and considers them all "good, normal boys." She said there was nothing unusual about the behavior or activities of subject Whitman while he was living at home that she could see, but added she has not seen too much of him since he left to enter the Marine Corps. She said she could recall nothing which indicated any lack of stability on his part or anything which indicated he derived any pleasure from being mean or cruel to any person or anything. She said there were never many boys around the neighborhood for the Whitman boys to play with and they played a lot among themselves or at the nearby school yard. She said they had the normal fights among themselves and the normal temper outbursts of growing boys, but nothing of an abnormal nature.

[redacted] said the Whitmans always had a dog and the boys had other pets like rabbits and the like and subject Whitman, as well as his brothers, apparently were always very fond of, and kind to his pets. She said, in fact, the current Whitman family dog, Lady, was so much subject Whitman's pet that it was generally referred to around the house as "Charlie's dog" and when subject Whitman came to Florida to get his mother and return with her to Texas, they took Lady with them. [redacted] said since subject Whitman did what he did in Austin, Texas, she has given the matter a great deal of thought and has been able to recall nothing which might have indicated he was capable of doing such a thing, or that he was at all likely to do such a thing.

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[redacted] said she had read in the newspaper that subject Whitman's mother's hand had been crushed and her engagement ring mutilated and the assumption was her hand had been crushed in a door. She said it had come to her attention that just prior to subject Whitman's mother leaving her husband, her husband had tried to take off of her finger her engagement ring but was unable to accomplish this because the ring would not come off. [redacted] voiced the opinion that subject Whitman might well have known about that incident and although she had no real reason to believe so, she thought that perhaps subject Whitman might have destroyed the ring after killing his mother because it had some special meaning to him in view of his father's actions. She pointed out that this was all assumption on her part and she had mentioned it only for what it was worth. She said that what she considered one of Mr. Whitman's faults was his constant reminders to his family and everyone else that everything his family had, he gave them, and she felt this trait might well have been just as disgusting to members of the family as it was to everyone else.

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[redacted] said to the best of her recollection, subject Whitman's doctor, until the doctor's death six or eight years ago, was the Doctor Brantley who brought subject Whitman into the world. She said after that she believed the family doctor was [redacted] Lake Worth. She said she did not recall that subject Whitman was ever sick, except possibly for some childhood diseases, but rather to the contrary, he always appeared to be a healthy and happy young man.

On August 8, 1966, the first source mentioned above advised source was quite sure that Doctor Grady Brantley, Lake Worth, Florida, was subject Whitman's doctor from the time he was born until the doctor's death six or seven years ago.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Bureau of Vital Statistics, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida, made available a certified copy of subject



Whitman's birth certificate. She advised that the Doctor Grady H. Brantley, listed as the attending physician at the birth, is no longer alive and previous efforts by her office on several occasions have failed to reflect the existence of any of his records. She said he apparently turned his practice over to no one and his wife destroyed any records he had.

It is to be noted that a copy of subject Whitman's birth record has previously been furnished to the Austin Police Department and Texas Department of Public Safety.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] in the office of [redacted]  
[redacted] and not expected back in Lake Worth until on or about August 18, 1966. She said she has been employed by the doctor for only a few months and was not acquainted with any member of the Whitman family. She said the doctor practices alone and she could identify no one other than [redacted] who might have any knowledge of his association with subject Whitman. She said she did not feel she could make any of the doctor's records available without his expressed permission and she did not expect to be in contact with the doctor until his return to Lake Worth.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth, Florida, advised she has been there only a few years and is not acquainted with subject Whitman. She made available the only record of subject Whitman's attendance at that school, still maintained at the school, which record summarized his attendance and grades and the results of intelligence and achievement tests given him there. She said other records would have followed subject Whitman to St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, and would now be located at Cardinal Newman High School, which school replaced St. Ann's.



[redacted] at Sacred Heart during subject Whitman's last few years there, [redacted] is still associated with the school, but is at present a patient at Mercy Hospital, Miami, Florida, and indisposed. She said none of the other sisters or lay teachers at the school were there when subject Whitman attended and the only person she could identify who would have taught subject Whitman, and whose whereabouts are readily known, was a lay teacher, [redacted]  
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On August 8, 1966, [redacted] above, advised she taught subject Whitman [redacted] at Sacred Heart and knew him around the school and church for many years. She said he was very active in the church as well as the school and was different only in that he was better behaved and a better student than most. She said she saw no indications of lack of stability or tendency to be cruel on the part of subject Whitman and recalled no unusual behavior pattern on his part and nothing she recalled about him tended to alter the disbelief she experienced on hearing he had done what he did in Texas.

[redacted] said the only person she could think of who is still around and might recall subject Whitman from that school is [redacted] who is still at the school.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted] Cardinal Newman High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, who was previously contacted concerning subject Whitman made available for copy all the school records relating to the subject Whitman, including grade school records from the Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth. Upon relinquishing control of subject Whitman's school file, [redacted] removed a handwritten document by subject Whitman, which she described as subject Whitman's autobiography, required of all students upon entering high school. She stated that the only reason she was not

relinquishing this autobiography of subject Whitman's for copy by the FBI, was that Mr. Whitman had instructed that it was not to be given to anyone without his permission. [redacted] opined that she was certain that as soon as Mr. Whitman had read his son's autobiography he would permit its copying by the FBI. She advised that subject Whitman's father is presently in Austin, Texas, and was expected to return to the Lake Worth, Florida, area on either Thursday or Friday. [redacted] continued that she has read subject Whitman's autobiography and that the document merely contains a general outline of the subject Whitman's life. She stated that it described where he was born, what his hobbies were, his activities in scouting, and trips that he had made. She added that there was no reflection upon his relationship to his father.

[redacted] advised that since being previously contacted by the FBI, she has had the opportunity to reflect the identities of subject Whitman's past associates. She advised that she could vividly recall that subject Whitman's close and constant companions were [redacted] and [redacted]. She continued that newspaper accounts of the Whitman funeral identify [redacted] and [redacted].

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She concluded by saying that she had nothing to add to her previous remarks concerning subject Whitman. She advised that she was shocked as everyone else was shocked over subject Whitman's actions in Austin, Texas. She stated that it was unbelievable. She continued that in her opinion subject Whitman was better behaved and a better student than most, and that she said she could recall no instability or peculiar behavior patterns on his part.

On August 8, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] employed as [redacted]

[redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that he was well acquainted with subject Whitman admitting that at one time he and subject Whitman chummed around together. He further stated that he and subject Whitman were members of Boy Scout Troop #119, Church of the Sacred Heart, Lake Worth, Florida. [redacted] described himself as being approximately two or three years older than subject Whitman and could recall that subject Whitman attended Scouting meetings before he was actually admitted for membership. He stated that subject Whitman made his Eagle Scouting award at the age of 12 or 13, which was a surprise to everyone. He continued that both he and subject Whitman attended St. Ann's High School in West Palm Beach, Florida, and that subject Whitman was well known and liked by everyone. [redacted] described subject Whitman as one of the finest friends he had ever had and that he could not recall any signs of instability or peculiar behavior on the part of subject Whitman. He further stated he has had very little contact with subject Whitman in the last eight or nine years and that while he was associating with subject Whitman, there were no signs whatsoever to indicate subject Whitman would do such a crime as occurred in Austin, Texas. He advised that the incident in Austin, Texas, was a complete shock to everyone who ever knew subject Whitman.

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On August 8, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised  
as follows:

[redacted] advised that he and subject Whitman grew up together. He advised that they started their education together at the Church of the Sacred Heart Parochial School, Lake Worth, and continued their high school education together at St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach. He advised that while he and subject Whitman were in the 4th grade at the Church of the Sacred Heart Parochial School, he and the subject Whitman commenced study to become altar boys in the Catholic Church. He stated that he and subject Whitman served Mass together.

all through the remaining years of their elementary education and all through high school. He stated that they were both active in scouting and became Eagle Scouts at the troop at the Church of the Sacred Heart on the same night.

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[ ] advised that subject Whitman was normal in every respect. He described subject Whitman as being no different than himself, elaborating by advising that the subject Whitman would never do anything wrong. He continued that subject Whitman's actions in Austin, Texas, had been a complete shock to him and to everyone who had known subject Whitman. He advised that in as many years with his association with subject Whitman, subject Whitman never displayed any signs of instability or as having any peculiar behavior patterns. He described subject Whitman as enjoying hunting and fishing and added that on many occasions he and subject Whitman had hunted with B-B guns along the Florida canal banks. He further described subject Whitman as liking to ride motorcycles, practicing playing the piano, and spending time in the pool halls shooting games of pocket pool. He stated that he recalled that subject Whitman was fond of animals, elaborating by stating that the Whitman family for years has had a dog in the house.

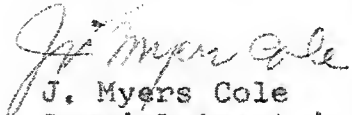
[ ] advised that subject Whitman was well liked and respected while they were in high school and was considered an outstanding, intelligent student. He advised that subject Whitman did not participate in varsity high school sports. He added, however, in subject Whitman's senior year, he was the trainer for the high school football team. He stated that he had seen subject Whitman as recently as Christmas, 1965, when subject Whitman visited the Lake Worth area with his wife. He stated that he recalled that on this occasion, subject Whitman stayed at the home

of his parents. [redacted] advised as close as he was to subject Whitman, he never observed or noted any action, or unusual behavior pattern on the part of subject Whitman that would trigger or provide an answer for his shocking and unexplainable behavior in Austin, Texas.

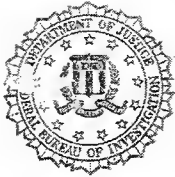
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The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole

Special Agent in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

433 Federal Building  
Post Office Box 1630  
San Antonio, Texas 78206

August 16, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 16, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

Reference is made to my letter of August 15, 1966, which deals with the CID report dated November, 1963, copies which were previously furnished you, regarding subject Charles Joseph Whitman. You were advised that the Charlotte Office of the FBI has been requested to determine if hand-writing examination had been made. If results of examination located, copies will be furnished to your office.

On August 16, 1966, the Charlotte Office of the FBI advised as follows:

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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U. S. Army Criminal Investigation Laboratory  
Report No. D-298-63, Unit Case No. 2-742-63, Fort Gordon,  
Georgia, located at Building No. 340, Second Marine  
Division, FMF, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. Report  
is result of handwriting examination made at Fort Gordon,  
Georgia, in reference to exhibits a through d, as described  
on page 3 of CID report dated November 12, 1963, copies  
which were previously furnished to your office and the  
Austin, Texas, Police Department.

Laboratory report No. D-298-63 indicates that  
evidence to be examined described as exhibit a (1-12),  
pages from calendar notebook bearing questioned handwriting;  
exhibit b (1-2), notebooks bearing indented writing;  
exhibit d - letter dated June 4, 1963, bearing handwriting  
signed by Whitman.

It appears that exhibit b and c, each described  
on page 3 of CID report dated November 12, 1963, were sent  
to Fort Gordon, described as exhibit b (1-2).

Examination results are as follows:

1. Comparative examination of handwritten  
and handprinted entries on exhibit a-1 through a-12  
resulted inconclusively that all were executed by the  
same individual.

2. Comparative examination of handwritten  
entries on exhibits 1-1 through a-12 with handwriting  
on exhibit d, resulting inconclusively that all were  
executed by same individual.

3. In the instance of the indented writing,  
no conclusions were reached concerning authorship.

Search by CID failed to locate exhibits  
a through d or disposition of same.

The Charlotte Office of the FBI advised that  
copies of Laboratory report No. D-298-6 are being forwarded  
to this office.

On August 16, 1966, Mr. Humphreys, supra, advised that it was not necessary to cause further search for exhibits a through d mentioned above.

The above is being furnished for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge





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This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 16, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent B. E. Deffenbaugh, Jr.

On August 12, 1966, Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Agent in Charge, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, advised he had determined that

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[redacted] was known subject Charles Joseph Whitman since childhood and requested that [redacted] be interviewed.

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
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Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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On August 15, 1966, the Anchorage Office of the FBI furnished the following information:

On August 15, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that the following information concerning his knowledge of subject Whitman and subject Whitman's family was given freely because of his desire to cooperate with the government. [redacted] stated that he does not want any publicity or disclosure of this information outside of public authorities who have an official interest.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] Subject Whitman was an altar boy at the Sacred Heart Parish, Lake Worth, Florida [redacted]

[redacted] saw subject Whitman in church as an altar boy, and [redacted] had no close association with subject Whitman or subject Whitman's relatives.

It is [redacted] understanding that subject Whitman's father was brought up in an orphanage. [redacted] learned through contact with subject Whitman and subject Whitman's family that subject Whitman's father was very demanding in the rearing of his children. To [redacted] knowledge, subject Whitman's father did not have any church affiliation.

Subsequently, according to [redacted] subject Whitman's two brothers, Patrick who is now approximately 21 years of age, and Robert John who is now approximately 17 or 18 years of age, also served as altar boys at the Sacred Heart Parish in Lake Worth, Florida. Subject Whitman and subject Whitman's two brothers were influenced in their religious life by their mother.

[redacted]  
[redacted] when subject Whitman was approximately 11 years of age he became a Tenderfoot scout in Troop 119. This scout troop met once a week and subject Whitman attended regularly. [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] Subject Whitman was very aggressive on his own toward improving himself in the scout troop and in obtaining rank. Subject Whitman became an Eagle Scout at around the age of 12 and was at that time the youngest boy to have become an Eagle Scout. [redacted] knows that subject Whitman's father was very persuasive in having subject Whitman to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout. [redacted]

[redacted] objected to subject Whitman's pushing so hard to become an Eagle Scout, but subject Whitman continued his aggressiveness toward this goal because subject Whitman's father was so persistent in urging subject Whitman toward this goal. [redacted]

[redacted] saw subject Whitman only occasionally during this month and thereafter [redacted] went to [redacted]

Thereafter, [redacted] saw subject Whitman and members of subject Whitman's family only occasionally.

[redacted] stated subject Whitman was a very nervous type of individual during the entire period of his acquaintance with subject Whitman and had the characteristic of doing things on the spur of the moment, although everything subject Whitman did on the spur of the moment during the period of his acquaintance with subject Whitman was toward the good. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that subject Whitman was constantly biting his nails and finally overcame this habit after much coaxing. [redacted]

subject whitman was a young man of good morals.

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To [redacted] knowledge, subject Whitman's father had always been an avid lover of weapons and taught his children, including the subject, to shoot at an early age. Subject Whitman had always indicated much interest in weapons and was a marksman at an early age. [redacted] learned of subject Whitman's ability to shoot through [redacted]  
[redacted]

Subject Whitman always appeared to have resentment toward his father and this resentment of subject Whitman's father appeared to be by too much regimentation. Subject Whitman's father was very strict in rearing his children and desired perfection from them.

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It is [redacted] recollection that when subject Whitman was 18 years of age subject Whitman desired to enter the U. S. Marine Corps. Subject Whitman had previously indicated a strong interest in joining the Marines but had been unable to gain approval of his father. Subject Whitman had told [redacted] of his desire to join the Marines in an effort to get away from his father. Subject Whitman related to [redacted] an incident which occurred prior to the time subject Whitman reached 18 years of age. This incident was when subject Whitman had engaged upon his first experience in drinking and after subject Whitman had too much to drink subject Whitman's father beat him and threw him into a swimming pool where subject allegedly almost drowned. [redacted] emphasized that this version of the incident was given to [redacted] by subject Whitman and that he [redacted] has no personal knowledge concerning this incident.

At about the age of 18 subject Whitman joined the U. S. Marine Corps without his father's knowledge, but with the knowledge of his mother. [redacted] said that subject Whitman left by train for Parris Island and that subject Whitman's father, upon learning of subject Whitman's having joined the Marine Corps, called some branch of the Federal Government and had subject Whitman stopped, picked up and brought home. It is [redacted] understanding

that the Marine Corps did not accept interference by subject Whitman's father because subject Whitman was now old enough to enlist in the Marine Corps and had given his oath of allegiance.

It is [ ] understanding that subject Whitman did very well in the Marine Corps during his early training and was offered a scholastic advancement program which brought subject Whitman to the University of Texas for additional training while serving in the Marine Corps.

When subject Whitman was at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, [ ] observed that subject Whitman had become a playboy and was losing some of his basic principals and faith. While subject Whitman was in the Marine Corps stationed at the University of Texas, subject Whitman was apprehended by the Game Department of the State of Texas for killing a deer at night and bringing the dead deer to his dormitory at the University, leaving blood stains from the entrance of the dormitory to his room. Subject Whitman gutted or skinned the deer in the shower. According to [ ] the incident was widely publicized in Texas and the only explanation subject Whitman gave [ ] was to blame it on a teenage prank.

Subject Whitman was thereafter returned to Parris Island by the Marine Corps and subsequently sent to Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. It is [ ] understanding that subject Whitman's father again intervened and tried every political means to have subject Whitman released from the service, but with negative results.

While subject Whitman was stationed at the University of Texas and still in the Marine Corps, subject Whitman met his future wife, Katherine, a student at the University of Texas. [ ]

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added it is his understanding that subject Whitman and Katherine had known each other for about one year at the University of Texas prior to their marriage.

[redacted] lost contact with subject Whitman

[redacted]  
[redacted] did not have any contact with subject Whitman again until [redacted]

[redacted] Subject Whitman and Katherine visited with [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] visited subject Whitman and subject Whitman's wife at their home in Austin, Texas, where subject Whitman was a student at the University and Katherine was then employed. During this visit subject Whitman seemed somewhat more relaxed than usual but was complaining about pressure of his studies and hours involved in studying. [redacted] received the impression that the strain of subject Whitman's studies was beginning to bother subject Whitman and observed subject Whitman was not practicing his faith and appeared to be in a turmoil concerning religion. Also, during this visit subject Whitman showed [redacted] his arsenal and was obviously very proud of his weapons. Subject Whitman had several weapons but [redacted] did not pay any attention to the number of weapons.

[redacted]  
[redacted] subject Whitman's mother was at Lake Worth, Florida, obtaining her belongings and preparing to move to Austin, Texas, to be close to subject Whitman. Subject Whitman's mother was leaving subject Whitman's father. Subject Whitman's mother had previously told subject Whitman that her husband was continually beating her but that she would not leave him while the children were young because she wanted to maintain the family together until the children were old enough to care for themselves.

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[redacted]  
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[redacted] Subject Whitman, subject Whitman's wife, and subject Whitman's mother came [redacted] to visit [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] Everything appeared normal at the time concerning subject Whitman and his wife, but subject Whitman's mother was disturbed concerning divorce proceedings against subject Whitman's father. Subject Whitman, his wife and mother left that evening to return to Austin, Texas, and [redacted] never saw them again.

During the period of [redacted] acquaintance with subject Whitman, subject Whitman never complained about any headaches or any ill health. [redacted] stated that [redacted] who according to the [redacted] is presently located at [redacted] [redacted] can probably furnish additional information concerning subject Whitman during subject Whitman's high school period. [redacted] stated subject Whitman had attended St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, Florida.

[redacted] said additional information concerning subject Whitman's childhood could probably be obtained from [redacted] who according to the [redacted] is presently located at [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted] who was presently employed in the insurance business at Houston, Texas, can probably furnish additional information concerning subject Whitman and details regarding the above mentioned deer incident. It was [redacted] understanding that [redacted] was quite close to subject Whitman.

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It is again pointed out that [redacted] stated that he did not want any publicity or disclosure of this information outside public authorities who have an official interest.

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Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge





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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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August 15, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter dated August 9, 1966, in which you were furnished information from the Miami office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with respect to Charles Joseph Whitman's attendance in schools at Lake Worth, Florida, and the fact that subject Whitman's birth record and records of grades in high school were being obtained and would be forwarded to San Antonio.

Enclosed is one copy each of the following for the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Austin, Texas, Police Department:

Subject Whitman's birth record as obtained from the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Florida

Records of Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth, Florida, which consists of one page, front and back (It is to be noted that other records from Sacred Heart were forwarded on to St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, now Cardinal Newman High School, and were obtained there.)

Enc. 3 (REGISTERED MAIL)

cc: Mr. F. A. Miles (Enc. 3) (REGISTERED MAIL)  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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Records, Cardinal Newman High School, consisting of  
15 pages.

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Austin, Texas

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 15, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 11, 1966, in which Major K. R. Herbert (supra) requested a check be made at Fort Gordon, Georgia, for record on subject, Charles Joseph Whitman. Information in Major Herbert's possession indicated that examination may have been made concerning subject Whitman's handwriting at the time of court-martial in November, 1963. You were advised that the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had been requested to contact the Department of the Navy in Washington, D. C., regarding this matter.

On August 15, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation made reference to the CID report dated November, 1963, which was previously furnished you. Page three of this report indicates that exhibits were not attached. These exhibits included (a) pages from calendar notebook bearing questioned handwriting, (b) notebook bearing indented writing, (c) red calendar notebook, (d) letter dated 4 June 63 bearing

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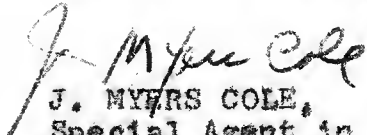
handwriting signed by Whitman.

According to the information received by the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, these exhibits, a through d, are retained in files of the Criminal Investigations Office, Building 339, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

The Charlotte Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been requested to determine if handwriting examination had been made. If results of examination are located, copies will be furnished your office.

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Very truly yours,

  
J. MYERS COLE,  
Special Agent in Charge



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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 9, 1966, in which you were advised that on August 4, 1966, the San Antonio office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation received an undated letter from [redacted]

[redacted] requested to be advised if Charles Joseph Whitman was known to be a frequent visitor to Dallas, or whether he visited Dallas this year. You were informed that this office addressed a communication to [redacted] and informed him that investigation in this matter was being conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Austin, Texas, Police Department and that he may wish to direct his inquiry to these agencies.

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On August 15, 1966, this office received another letter from [redacted]  
[redacted] which reads as follows:

"Your reply of 5 August noted. My letter was rather out of left field as the possibility that you knew of Whitman's movements down there in

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"San Antonio was remote, however I advocated more cooperation between field offices where the subject was of national interest, even if no violation of Federal Law was involved. For some time I have been searching for grounds to my theory that some amusement concerns activate semi-spiritual, high emotional, physical response to basic human emotions, result being one doing what he believes to be right when it is wrong. (Report made AIC, Dallas)

"With sincere appreciation,

"Respectfully,

"/s/   
"Researcher"

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August 12, 1966

M 988150

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 11, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson.

On August 11, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, supra, requested to be advised of the names and addresses of

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Major Herbert advised that Mrs. Whitman is the mother of subject Charles Joseph Whitman.

On August 11, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI advised that the family of Mrs. Margaret Whitman, nee Hodges, is identified as follows:

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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

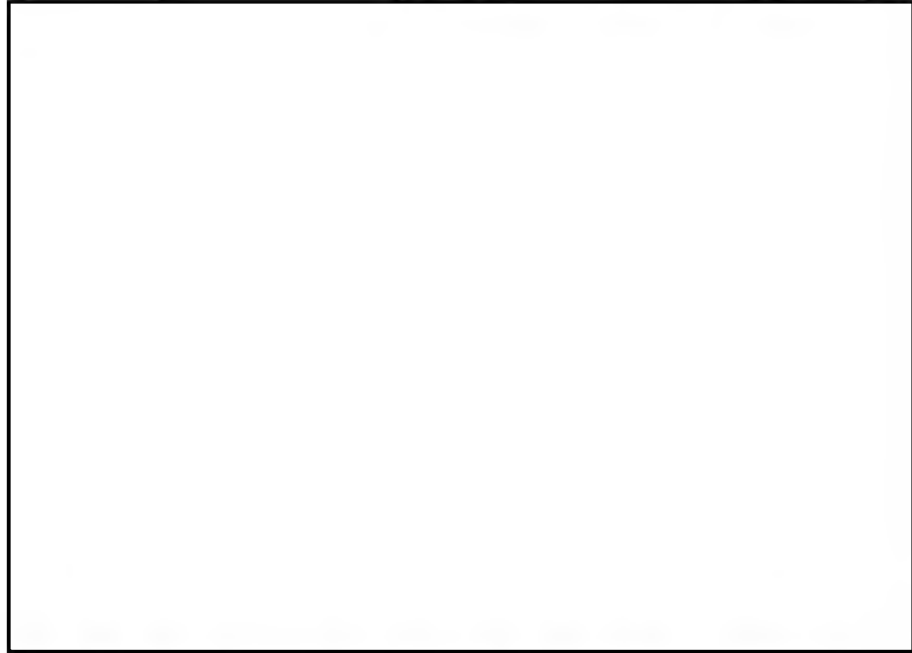
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Mother:

Marie V. Hodges  
1411 N.W. Second Street  
Boynton Beach, Florida

Father:

Cheatham Hodges  
Deceased, 1960 or 1961



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The Miami Office of the FBI advised there is no other individuals in the immediate family.

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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
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North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 12, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, by Special Agent George W. R. Carlson.

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On August 11, 1966, Mr. Humphreys, supra, advised that Marine Corps records reveal [redacted] was stationed with subject Charles Joseph Whitman in Cuba. Mr. Humphreys also advised that [redacted] date of birth [redacted] was with subject Whitman at Camp Lejeune when attacked in October 1964.

Mr. Humphreys requested to be advised of the present location of [redacted] and [redacted] and that they be interviewed regarding knowledge they would have of subject Whitman.

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Austin Police Department  
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On August 12, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI furnished the following information:

Records, Locator Section Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps, disclosed [redacted] is Private First Class, currently overseas, assigned to the H&S Company, Third Battalion, 5th Marines, First Marine Division, Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California.


[redacted] is currently en route to continental United States with ten days' delay to visit Hong Kong and Japan. [redacted] is due to report to the Marine Barracks, Naval Base, Norfolk, Virginia, during September 1966 on unspecified date.

Enlisted Personnel file shows [redacted] is divorced. The address of his former wife is not shown. [redacted] children reside with his parents, [redacted]  
[redacted]

Attempts are now being made to interview [redacted] and [redacted] and you will be advised of the results of this interview.

This is being furnished to you for whatever action is deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
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August 11, 1966

M 968150

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 11, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas Police Department and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. N. Carlson.

On August 10, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, supra, requested a check be made at Ft. Gordon, Georgia, for record on subject, Charles Joseph Whitman. Information in Major Herbert's possession indicated that examination may have been made concerning subject Whitman's handwriting at the time of court-martial in November, 1963.

On August 11, 1966, the Savannah Office of the FBI furnished the following information:

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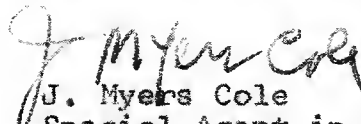
On August 11, 1966, [redacted]  
[redacted] Criminal Intelligence Laboratory,  
Ft. Gordon, Georgia, advised her files reflect no  
record of subject Whitman. [redacted] telephonically  
contacted the Criminal Intelligence Center Repository,  
U. S. Army, Ft. Holabird, Maryland, and determined  
no record of subject Whitman located there. [redacted]  
was advised that the Defense Central Index reflects  
that the Department of the Navy has a file regarding  
the subject. This is Office of Naval Intelligence  
file 63-D65791, reportedly located in Washington, D. C.,  
at the Navy Department.

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The Washington Field Office of the FBI  
has been requested to contact the Department of the  
Navy in Washington, D. C., regarding this matter.

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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 10, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

On August 9, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, supra, requested a check be made at Point Loma Naval Research Station, San Diego, California, for any possible psychiatric study having been made of Charles Joseph Whitman.

On August 10, 1966, the San Diego Office of the FBI advised that a check was made for a record for subject Whitman through [redacted] and [redacted] [redacted] Neuropsychiatric Research Unit, Point Loma Naval Research Station, and through [redacted] [redacted] Psychiatric Service, Balboa Naval Hospital, San Diego, California. A check of Enlisted Personnel Section, Balboa Naval Hospital, was made and all checks were with negative results.

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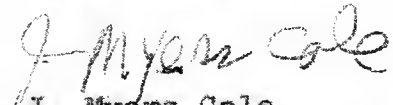
[ ] advises their section does not treat patients but draws personnel for case studies through Psychiatric Service, Balboa Naval Hospital.

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A check was made regarding subject Whitman with the Psychiatric Service at Camp Pendleton, California, United States Marine Corps Hospital, also with negative results.

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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 10, 1966, to Lt. George Phifer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office. [redacted]

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The contents of the enclosed FBI, Houston, Memorandum dated August 2, 1966, were furnished to Lt. Phifer and Mr. Cowan. The Memorandum indicates that Radio Station KILT in Houston, Texas, was announcing over the air that they were broadcasting names of the victims of the sniper at Austin, Texas, by means of monitoring the radio of the Texas Highway Patrol. It will be noted that the information indicates that this was being done without official approval.

This is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

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Enc: Mr. C. V. Piles (Enc. 1)  
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Austin Police Department  
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Houston, Texas

August 2, 1966

RADIO STATION KIIT,  
HOUSTON, TEXAS  
UNLAWFUL PUBLICATION  
OR USE OF COMMUNICATIONS

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On August 1, 1966, [redacted]  
[redacted] Federal Communications Commission, Federal Office  
Building, Room 5636, 515 Rusk Street, Houston, Texas, ad-  
vised the Houston Office of the Federal Bureau of Invest-  
igation by telephone that he was informed by [redacted]  
[redacted] a radio operator residing at [redacted]  
[redacted] that Radio Station KIIT, located at 500 Lovett Boulde-  
vard, Houston, Texas, was announcing over the air that they  
were broadcasting names of the victims of the sniper at Austin,  
Texas, by means of monitoring the radio of the Texas Highway  
Patrol. KIIT was allegedly monitoring the radio without  
official approval.

The sniper referred to above is the University of  
Texas student who killed sixteen persons and injured more  
than thirty on the campus of the University of Texas, Austin,  
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ATTENTION: MAJOR K. R. HERBERT



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August 9, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Austin, Texas 78751

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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 9, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [REDACTED], of this office.

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 6, 1966, which sets forth information from Detective Harry Weaver, Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department, dealing with information regarding subject Charles Joseph Whitman and the fact that Whitman's father was in receipt of a telephone call and a threatening letter.

On August 9, 1966, the Miami office of the FBI furnished the following information regarding Charles Joseph Whitman:

The Miami office advised that the threatening letter to subject's father, mentioned above, was located at the Lake Worth Police Department on August 8, 1966.

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Austin Police Department  
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The Assistant United States Attorney in Miami states that the letter lacks sufficient threat to constitute extortion and the matter is being referred to the Postal Inspector in West Palm Beach, Florida.

The Miami office of the FBI further advised that with respect to obtaining background information regarding subject Whitman, that copies of subject Whitman's birth record and records of grade and high school are being obtained and will be forwarded to San Antonio. [redacted]

[redacted] is presently on vacation in Hawaii until August 18, 1966, and will be contacted as soon as possible on his return to Florida.

The Miami office of the FBI advised that records of Sacred Heart Grade School, as located there, or the Cardinal Newman High School (formerly St. Ann's) regarding subject Whitman reflect nearly all "A's" and "B's" in all matters including citizenship, deportment, and religion. California Primary Intelligence Test dated December, 1947, showed Whitman's I.Q. to be 138.9. California Intermediate Test dated September, 1953, showed subject Whitman's I.Q. to be 120. California Achievement Test reflects Whitman to be in the upper percentile. Whitman's health record showed experience of chicken pox, whooping cough, and measles, dates not shown, immunization from small pox and tetanus, and medical correction of throat and teeth, not further defined. Records, Cardinal Newman High School, show above average grades for the first two years and average grades for the last two years, with "D's" in math and English. Personal qualities are all defined as normal.

California Test in 1956 showed Whitman's I.Q. to be 116, and the Otis Short Form Test in 1959 showed Whitman's I.Q. to be 127. The personality record describes Whitman as well balanced, socially concerned, conscientious, and self-reliant.

Grade school teacher and high school principal describe Whitman as better behaved and better student than most and recall no instability or peculiar behavior pattern. Boyhood associates recall nothing indicating cruelty, lack of stability, or different behavior pattern on the part of subject. Neighbors recall subject Whitman as normal boy who showed no lack of stability, cruelty, or odd behavior patterns.

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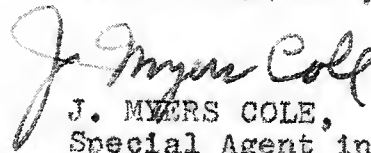
One neighbor [redacted]

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[redacted] said the family always had a dog and other pets and subject Whitman's fondness for the family dog led the family to call it subject's dog. This dog was taken to Texas by subject Whitman and his mother when subject's parents separated. This neighbor commented on news item that subject Whitman's mother's fingers were crushed and her engagement ring mutilated. This neighbor said subject Whitman's father tried to take the ring from his wife before she left him and was unable to get the ring off her finger. This neighbor voiced the opinion that subject Whitman knew about that and destruction of the ring at the time he killed his mother may have had some meaning to subject Whitman.

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Very truly yours,

  
J. MYERS COLE,  
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ATTENTION: MAJOR K. R. HERBERT



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August 9, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 9, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

On August 4, 1966, the San Antonio office of the FBI received an undated letter from [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] requested to be advised if Joseph Whitman, formerly of The University of Texas, was known to be a frequent visitor to Dallas or whether he visited Dallas this year. [redacted] stated, "This is urgent."

✓Cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
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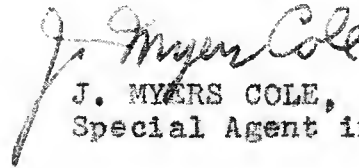
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This office addressed a communication to [redacted] and informed him that the investigation in this case was being conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Austin Police Department and that he may wish to direct his inquiry to these agencies.

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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 7, 1966, to Lt. Merle Wells, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

On August 7, 1966, Lt. Wells requested that [redacted]

[redacted] be interviewed regarding information that Charles Joseph Whitman may have accompanied [redacted] to "some kind of Minutemen" meeting approximately one and one-half years ago."

The Albuquerque office of the FBI on August 7, 1966, advised as follows:

On August 7, 1966, [redacted] advised he knows nothing about the Minutemen organization, has never attended a meeting, has not been invited to attend a meeting, and has not invited anyone to attend such a meeting. He never attended any meetings of organizations of any type during his acquaintance with Whitman and knows of no meetings attended by Whitman.

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[redacted] advised he vaguely recalls having read something about Minutemen in a history book or some other text but has not heard of it otherwise. No one of his acquaintance has mentioned this organization. [redacted] was invited to a John Birch Society meeting about five years ago before going into the military service, but he did not attend this meeting.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] is known to him and was a graduate student at The University of Texas. On at least one occasion [redacted] invited [redacted] to a study session with Whitman and himself when they were studying for an examination, and [redacted] was a great help to them.

[redacted] reiterated he had never met Whitman until September, 1965.

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Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 8, 1966, to Lt. George Phifer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

On August 4, 1966, the Charlotte office of the FBI furnished the following information regarding Charles Joseph Whitman:

On August 4, 1966 [redacted]  
Headquarters Battalion Supply, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised he has been assigned to Camp Lejeune since January, 1964. He recalled Whitman whom he believed worked in the S-1 Section, Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Marine Division. He advised he knew Whitman only for a few months and his contacts with him were during duty hours only. He described Whitman as a good, dependable worker who seemed to have no problems and never argued with anyone. He could furnish no further descriptive data concerning Whitman and does not know anyone in Headquarters Battalion who knew him.

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On August 4, 1966, [redacted]  
[redacted], H Company, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marines, 2nd  
Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, advised  
that he has been assigned to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina,  
since February, 1965, and does not know Whitman. He  
mentioned that the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marines, which is  
presently on a Mediterranean cruise, will be back at  
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, during September, 1966.

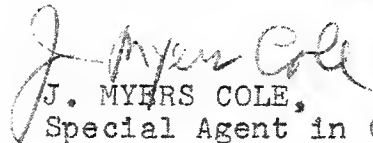
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On August 4, 1966, [redacted] Manager,  
Warren Apartments, 111 Morton Street, Jacksonville, North  
Carolina, advised she has been manager of the apartments  
since March, 1964. She mentioned that there is a high  
turnover of tenants in the Warren Apartments and that  
there is no one residing there presently who had resided  
there during 1963. She stated that [redacted]  
became owner of the apartments during January, 1964, and she  
does not know the name of the previous owner.

[redacted] Bernard's Clothing,  
835 Court Street, Jacksonville, North Carolina, on August  
4, 1966, advised that Charles J. Whitman worked for him as  
a salesman from May, 1964, to August, 1964. He mentioned  
that Whitman worked from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. during the week  
and all day on Saturdays. He described Whitman as being  
good looking, polite, very intelligent, and as being an all  
American boy. He recalled that Whitman was one of the nicest  
fellows he had ever known. He mentioned that he could recall  
nothing concerning Whitman that would explain his recent  
actions in Austin, Texas.

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Very truly yours,

  
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Special Agent in Charge



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August 9, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
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Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 8, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson.

On August 5, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, supra, advised that [redacted] Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Food and Drug Administration, Room 723, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, is conducting investigation concerning pills found in subject Charles Joseph Whitman's possession.

Major Herbert requested that the Dallas Office follow and report results of investigation by [redacted]

On August 8, 1966, the Dallas Office of the FBI informed that [redacted] Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Food and Drug Administration, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, advised [redacted] of his office is conducting investigation regarding the pills found in subject's possession, but that such investigation is being conducted at Austin, Texas. According to [redacted] is not due to return to

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Dallas until about Friday, August 12, 1966. [ ] is staying in Room 306, Driskill Hotel, Austin, Texas, and can be contacted by leaving a message there, if he is not there, to have him call.

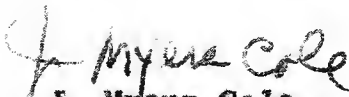
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On August 9, 1966, [ ] was located in Austin, Texas. He advised he is conducting investigation regarding the pills; however, his final report will not be made until he returns to Dallas.

The Dallas Office of the FBI has been requested to follow this matter in Dallas with the Bureau of Drug Abuse Control and you will be furnished with information upon receipt.

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Very truly yours,



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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 7, 1966, to Lt. George Williamson, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and on August 8, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

A copy of the complete medical file of Charles Joseph Whitman furnished by the Bureau of Medicine and Survery, Department of the Navy, was furnished on the dates indicated to Lt. Williamson and Mr. Cowan.

This file is furnished to you for background information and for lead purposes and is not to be made public.

Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
J. MYERS COLE,

Special Agent in Charge

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Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Dear Colonel Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 6, 1966, to Lt. Merrill Wells, Austin, Texas Police Department, and Mr. O. N. Humphreys, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety by SA [REDACTED]

On August 6, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI furnished the following information regarding Charles Joseph Whitman.

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On August 6, 1966, Detective Harry Weaver, Lake Worth, Florida Police Department, advised that subject Whitman's father reported to him receipt at 11:15 a.m. that date of a telephone call in which he was told "Watch your every move. You're next." No operator involved in call and no indication origin of call although subject Whitman's father reported noise in background which indicated to him possibly long distance call.

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Detective Weaver stated subject's father also mentioned receipt of a threatening letter he had already turned over to the Lake Worth, Florida Police Department, but Detective Weaver was unable to verify that Police Department was in receipt of such a letter and unable at the time to recontact subject Whitman's father.

Detective Weaver stated subject Whitman's father mentioned that the phone calls and sympathy letters were "nasty" but not really threatening.

Detective Weaver is contacting telephone company regarding coverage of phone calls and will advise if existence threatening letter verified.

Detective Weaver said subject Whitman's father departing August 7, 1966, for Austin, Texas, under name of A. Smith. Local authorities intend to afford some coverage of subject Whitman's father until he departs.

The Miami Office of the FBI contemplates no action on basis of above information, but if evidence of extortion violation develops, appropriate action will be taken.

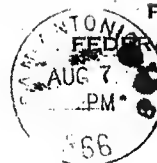
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*ATTN Major K. R. Herbert*

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Col. Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
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Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm conversation had on August 5, 1966, with Lt. George Phifer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, and Howard Smith, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

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On August 4, 1966, Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, CID, Austin, Texas, Police Department, requested that [redacted] be interviewed regarding Charles Joseph Whitman.

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On August 4, 1966, the Albuquerque office of the FBI furnished the following information as a result of their interview.

On August 4, 1966, [redacted]

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[redacted]  
furnished the following information and requests that his name be kept confidential and not made public.

He first met Whitman at the beginning of the school year in September, 1965. They had some of the same lecture series and Physics Lab together, and studied many hours together. [redacted] left school in February 1966 and has had no contact with Whitman since that time, except that he called Whitman on the telephone on one occasion and asked Whitman to leave a note on the door for [redacted] which he did. This was about four months ago.

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[redacted] considered Whitman his best friend at the University and can offer no explanation for what Whitman did on August 1. He always considered him a very sound person except for some instances which he now remembers.

Sometime between November 20 and November 30, his father and younger brother, name not recalled, came from Florida to Texas to go deer hunting. Charles Whitman had purchased his father a deer rifle for the occasion. Whitman related to [redacted] that during the hunt his father had gotten angry with the younger brother and pointed his rifle at the brother, whereupon Charles pointed his rifle at his father and told his father that if he ever did that again he would kill him. He said to [redacted] "And I meant it, [redacted]"

On the night that Whitman told this story [redacted] was at Whitman's house studying for an exam. Whitman had received a long distance telephone call from Florida and talked for about two hours with his mother. During part of the time, Whitman also talked with his father. [redacted] tried not to listen to the telephone conversation because he realized it was personal. Whitman was trying to reason with his mother. The conversation with the father did not appear to be very pleasant. He cannot remember specifically any of the conversation. After he hung up, [redacted] asked Whitman what the trouble was, and he indicated that his father was upset and apparently there was some trouble between his parents. Immediately thereafter Whitman told [redacted] about the rifle incident.

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Sometime later, probably in December, 1965, another incident occurred. It was a habit of the students and particularly Whitman and Barnfield to go to the third floor in Taylor Hall to study. Whitman had claimed that he was the holder of a brown belt in Karate. As [redacted] arrived at the third floor of Taylor Hall, Whitman had just put another student to sleep and had thrown him, cutting his head which necessitated seven stitches at the University Health Center. The other student's name was [redacted] last name unknown, but a Spanish name, although he looked Anglo. [redacted] learned that Whitman was showing this student the sleeper hold and this [redacted] tried to counter the hold which caused Whitman to throw him. [redacted] and the other student joked with Whitman about this, and he did not seem to be sorry for what had happened.

Whitman told [ ] that he had put his wife through school by lending money and playing poker while in the Service. He also told [ ] that while in the Service he always carried a personal gun, indicating that because he was lending money, if those who owed him did not pay, he had something to back him up.

During various conversations with Whitman, Whitman has left no doubt that he hates his father. He never gave any specific reason for hating his father. [ ] remembers on one occasion Whitman indicated that his father made quite a bit of money and that when his other brothers needed help, the father helped them but did not offer to help Charles, indicating that he resented this.

During their association they sometimes talked about personal things. [ ]

[ ] During these conversations Whitman told [ ] that he was sterile and could not conceive even though his wife wanted children. There was no indication that Whitman had other than a normal sex life.

Whitman did not smoke or drink. Occasionally he would have one beer. He studied very hard. [ ] told him that he thought that he, [ ] worked the hardest of anyone until he met Whitman. He bit his fingernails. They always sat together during examinations, and Whitman would bring to class some plastic objects to bite so that he would not bite his fingernails until they became sore.

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On one occasion Whitman remarked something like "I wonder what would happen if I just left Kathy and school and went to Japan and got my black belt in Karati." There was no apparent reason for this statement.

He never spoke of having any physical or mental trouble, and never spoke of having visited a doctor for any reason. He always appeared to be in good physical and mental health.

When studying Whitman and [ ] would sometimes argue concerning manner to work a given problem, and sometimes Whitman would get so argumentative that [ ] would want to leave the room. On one occasion they even went to a professor for the answer and when told that [ ] was right, Whitman continued to argue with [ ] about the answer. [ ] never thought any less of him as a friend because of this.

Whitman told [ ] that he had taken dexedrine and bensedrine to stay awake to study. [ ] never saw him take any pills or have any in possession.

It is emphasized that [redacted] as stated above,  
requested that his name be kept confidential and not made  
public.

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Col. Homer Garrison, Jr.  
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Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 5, 1966, to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin, Texas, Police Department, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson, and Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, by Special Agent [REDACTED]

On August 4, 1966, Chief of Police R. A. Miles, Austin, Texas, advised Special Agent George W. H. Carlson that the Austin Police Department would like to ascertain whether or not Charles Joseph Whitman was a member of the National Rifle Association.

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On August 5, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI advised that on that date [REDACTED] Membership Division, National Rifle Association (NRA), 1230 16th Street Northwest, Washington, D.C., that records of the NRA disclosed that Whitman is not presently nor has he ever been a member of the NRA.

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On August 3, 1966, the Atlanta Office of the FBI advised on that date that [REDACTED] Registrar's Office, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, checked her Cumulative Rolls which included all students enrolled at Georgia Institute of Technology, and advised after extensive search of her records that she could locate no information identifiable with subject Charles Joseph Whitman from 1946 to the present.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, after searching his records, advised he could locate no information identifiable with Charles Joseph Whitman.

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No record identifiable for Charles Joseph Whitman could be located in the Identification Division of the Atlanta Police Department or the Credit Bureau at Atlanta, Georgia.

On August 5, 1966, a copy of CID investigation dated November 1963 which was obtained from the Naval Investigative Service Headquarters, concerning Charles Joseph Whitman, and a copy of Standard Form 86 obtained from Bureau of Personnel Investigations, Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., were furnished to Major Herbert by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson.

The Columbia FBI Office advised on August 5, 1966, that no credit or arrest record could be located for subject Charles Joseph Whitman at Parris Island or Beaufort, South Carolina.

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Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 4, 1966, to Maurice Beckham, Research Analyst, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, by Special Agent [REDACTED] of this office, and to Mr. K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent George W. H. Carlson of this office.

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On August 4, 1966, the St. Louis Office of the FBI furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman.

Records at the Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, reflect Charles Joseph Whitman was born June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, Social Security Number 262-60-9109. He was employed from July 8, 1965, to September 16, 1965, as Engineering Aide, NASA, Manned Space Craft Center, Houston, Texas. Records reflect termination of employment due to expiration of appointment. Subject Whitman's home address was listed as 1001 Shelley Avenue, Apartment A, Austin, Texas.

The records further reflect Whitman served in the United States Marine Corps from July 1959 to December 1964 and had the following off Post residences:

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From September 1961 to August 1962: Goodall Wooten  
Dormitories, Austin, Texas.

From August 1962 to March 1963: 806 Nelson Avenue,  
Austin, Texas.

March 1963 to July 1963: 111-C Morton Avenue,  
Jacksonville, South Carolina.

With respect to employment history, the records  
reflect the following:

January 1964 to October 1964: Part-time employ-  
ment with Bernard's Clothing Store, Jacksonville, South  
Carolina.

December 1964 to January 1965: Scarbrough's  
Department Store, Austin, Texas.

January 1965 to April 1965: Standard Finance  
Company, Austin, Texas.

April 1965: Central Freight Lines, Austin, Texas.

April 1965 to May 1965: Austin National Bank,  
Austin, Texas.

Subject Whitman's education was listed as the  
following:

Graduated St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach,  
Florida, May, 1959.

University of Texas, Austin, Texas, September  
1961 to February 1963 and January 1965 to May 1965.

Relatives were listed as follows:

Wife: KATHLEEN FRANCIS WHITMAN, nee LEISSNER  
Father: CHARLES A. WHITMAN, JR., P. O. Box 1488,  
Lake Worth, Florida  
Mother: MARGARET E. WHITMAN  
Brothers: PATRICK G. WHITMAN and JOHN MICHAEL  
WHITMAN, P. O. Box 1488, Lake Worth, Florida

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References for subject Whitman were listed as follows:



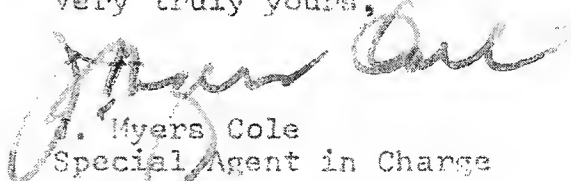
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In addition to the above, the records reflect a Summary Court-Martial, United States Marine Corps, Camp Le Juene, North Carolina, November 26, 1963, for violation of Article 92, Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), involving possession of two rounds of ammunition, and possessing a small caliber pistol on the Base, and on a United States Naval vessel, and violation of Article 134, UCMJ, for wrongfully conveying threats and gambling with subordinates. He was found guilty, and reduced from the rank of Corporal to Private, and was sentenced to 90 days at hard labor without confinement, and 30 days restriction to barracks.

Also included in these records was the fact that on November 28, 1961, at Travis County, Austin, Texas, subject was fined \$100 and costs for unlawfully possessing a deer.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

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HONORABLE JOHN C. FINGLE  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR:

THE ORIGIN OF THE GUNS IN POSSESSION OF CHARLES J. WHITMAN  
WHILE SHOOTING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER IS SET OUT BELOW:

1. REMINGTON MODEL 700-6MM, BELT ACTION, WITH LEUPOLD 45-4X SCOPE WAS PURCHASED LOCALLY FROM CHUCK'S GUN SHOP.
2. SEARS TWEYER GAUGE 2-34 CHAMBER AUTOMATIC SHOT GUN, BARREL AND STOCK BOTH SAWED OFF WAS PURCHASED LOCALLY FROM SEARS GUN SHOP.
3. REMINGTON .35 CALIBER, MODEL 141 PUMP RIFLE BELONGED TO HIS FATHER IN LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA.
4. U. S. CARBINE .30 CALIBER M-1 UNIVERSAL WITH NEW FLINT WAS PURCHASED AT CHARLES P. DAVIS HARDWARE STORE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS.
5. .357 MAGNUM SMITH AND WESSON, 4" BARREL REVOLVER, CHROME PLATING WAS PURCHASED WHILE SUBJECT WHITMAN WAS IN THE U.S.M.C. AND STATIONED AT GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.
6. 9MM LUGER ALSO PURCHASED AT GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA WHILE WHITMAN WAS IN U.S.M.C. STATIONED THERE.
7. 6.35MM CALIBER AUTOMATIC PISTOL GALESI-SARGLA BELONGED TO MR. J. A. WHITMAN, FATHER OF SUBJECT, WHO LIVES IN LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA.

PLEASE RE-VERIFY IF OUR DESIRE TO COOPERATE IN ALL MATTERS OF  
MUTUAL INTEREST.

Sincerely,

R. A. BASS  
CHIEF OF POLICE

August 18, 1966

HONORABLE JOHN D. SINGLE  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR SIR:

THE ORIGIN OF THE GUNS IN POSSESSION OF CHARLES J. WHITMAN  
WHILE SHOOTING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TOWER IS SET OUT BELOW:

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3. REMINGTON .35 CALIBER, MODEL 141 PUMP RIFLE BELONGED TO HIS FATHER IN LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA.
4. U. S. CARBINE .30 CALIBER 5-7 UNIVERSAL WITH RED FLAME WAS PURCHASED AT CHARLES P. DAVIS HARDWARE STORE IN AUSTIN, TEXAS.
5. .387 REMUM SMITH AND WESSON, 4" BARREL REVOLVER, CRONE PLATED WAS PURCHASED WHILE SUBJECT WHITMAN WAS IN THE U.S.M.C. AND STATIONED AT GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA.
6. 30M LUGER ALSO PURCHASED AT GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA WHILE WHITMAN WAS IN U.S.M.C. STATIONED THERE.
7. .5.30MM CALIBER AUTOMATIC PISTOL GALESI-CHYICIN BELONGED TO MR. C. A. WHITMAN, FATHER OF SUBJECT, WHO LIVES IN LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA.

PLEASE BE ASSURED OF OUR DESIRE TO COOPERATE IN ALL MATTERS OF  
NATIONAL INTEREST.

SINCERELY,

R. W. HALLS  
CHIEF OF POLICE



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August 3, 1966

Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
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Dear Chief Miles:

This will serve to confirm information furnished to Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by SA George W. H. Carlson on August 2, 1966.

Information was received in the San Antonio Office of the FBI on August 2, 1966, that one [REDACTED] 25th Car Company, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, had formerly been a classmate of Charles Joseph Whitman, regarded himself as a good friend of Whitman's, and, in fact, expects to attend Whitman's funeral in Florida.

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Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

433 Federal Building  
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August 4, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 4, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

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On August 4, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman:

Medical file made available at Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Department of the Navy, August 4, 1966, found to contain no information of significant nature. Of possible interest is treatment on October 7, 1964, at dispensary, Headquarters Battalion, Second Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, on complaint of headache and dizziness following injury to head as a result of a fight.

The file reflected that aspirin was prescribed.

No further pertinent information noted.

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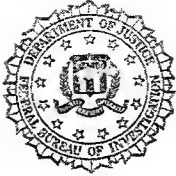
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Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 4, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

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On August 3, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman:

The U. S. Marine Corps record of subject Whitman was reviewed on August 3, 1966, and reflects that his serial number is 1871634. Subject Whitman enlisted as a Private, Jacksonville, Florida, on July 6, 1959, and was released from active duty as a Private First Class on December 4, 1964, and transferred to the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve on December 5, 1964. He was discharged from the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve on July 18, 1965. Subject Whitman's release from active duty was for convenience of the Government and under honorable conditions. He was recommended for re-enlistment.

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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Subject Whitman was awarded a Good Conduct Medal, Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal, and Sharpshooters Rifle Badge. His Marine Corps specialty was listed as rifleman. The file reflects that during active duty he lost a total of 13 days from November 1, 1963, to November 14, 1963, at which time he was restricted. A period in excess of leave status was shown to be September 19, 1964, to September 20, 1964. Subject Whitman was granted a "Secret" clearance on February 20, 1961, on the basis of a satisfactory National Agency Check by District Intelligence Office, 10th Naval District.

On February 2, 1961, subject Whitman made application for Navy Enlistment Scientific Program (NESP) and was accepted. On March 22, 1962, subject Whitman was placed on academic probation for having a grade below "C" and for failure to maintain minimum over-all academic average.

The file also reflects that [redacted] [redacted] Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Unit, University of Texas, was of the opinion that subject's hospitalization might have affected his grades. [redacted] recommended no action on subject's disenrollment.

The file also reflects that on February 7, 1963, it was recommended and approved that subject Whitman is disenrolled from the NESP. Subject Whitman then requested early release from the Marine Corps in order to pursue his education. The record contains considerable correspondence concerning this matter. However, the file reflects that the request was disapproved on March 17, 1964.

As a result of a Criminal Investigations Division investigation in November, 1963, subject Whitman was court-martialed on 15 charges and specifications, namely, i. e., wrongfully possessing ammunition, wrongfully possessing a small caliber pistol, wrongfully possessing a small caliber pistol aboard ship, 10 charges of lending money for profit, wrongfully communicating a threat, gambling with [redacted] U. S. Marine Corps. He was restricted for 30 days to perform hard labor without confinement for 90 days and to be reduced to the rank of Private.

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The Marine Corps records further reflect subject Whitman was stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, from October 1959 to December 1959. He resided off base at 111-C Morton Avenue, Jacksonville, North Carolina, from March 1963 to July 1963, and was employed from January 1964 to October 1964 at Bernard's Clothing, Jacksonville, North Carolina. He also served in the U. S. Marine Corps at Parris Island, South Carolina, from July 1959 to October 1959. From June 1947 to July 1959, he resided at 820 South "L" Street, Lake Worth, Florida.

In addition, records show subject's brothers are Patrick G. Whitman, born April 19, 1945, and John M. Whitman, born January 18, 1949, both at Lake Worth, Florida. Subject Whitman also attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and St. Ann's High School, Lake Worth and Palm Beach, Florida, respectively. Subject Whitman's Social Security number is listed as 262-60-9109.

The Washington Field Division of the FBI in addition has ascertained that the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery records are presently in St. Louis, Missouri, and will be reviewed.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,



J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge



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August 4, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
P. O. Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm conversation had on August 3, 1966, with Mr. W. A. Cowan, Assistant Agent in Charge, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [REDACTED]

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On August 3, 1966, the Miami Office of the FBI furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman:

On August 3, 1966, Charles Adolphus Whitman, father of subject Whitman, was interviewed by an FBI Agent at Lake Worth, Florida.

Mr. Whitman advised that with respect to the guns, the .35 caliber rifle, M-1 carbine, and 6.35 caliber pistol belonged to him, the father, and were given to subject Whitman to use for hunting. The six millimeter rifle with scope sight was purchased by subject Whitman at Chuck's Gun Shop, Austin, Texas, in June 1965. On that same day,

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he, the father, purchased a similar rifle at the gun shop for hunting. The Luger and the .357 Magnum were guns subject Whitman picked up while in the U. S. Marine Corps. Mr. Whitman believed that subject purchased the Luger at Guantanamo Bay. Mr. Whitman had no specific information regarding the Magnum. He also knew nothing regarding the 12 gauge shotgun, except that the newspaper accounts stated subject purchased it in Austin, Texas, the day of the shooting.

Mr. Whitman voiced a desire to ultimately retrieve all guns from Texas authorities. He stated he intends to leave for Austin, Texas, Sunday, August 7, 1966, to arrive by air on the morning of August 8, 1966. He intends to contact the Austin Police Department on August 7, 1966, regarding his arrival and will be traveling under an assumed name. Mr. Whitman would like to arrange to be met upon arrival by the Austin Police Department, and he is making the trip to talk to the police department and retrieve belongings of his wife and subject Whitman. According to Mr. Whitman, an Austin Police Department Captain, name unknown, has been in telephonic contact with him.

In addition, Mr. Whitman advised that John Michael Whitman, age 17, brother of subject Whitman, has been visiting in Asbury Park, New Jersey, and is presently en route to Lake Worth, Florida, for the funeral.

On August 3, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] voluntarily appeared at the FBI Resident Agency in West Palm Beach, Florida, and stated they watched subject Whitman grow up. They described him as a fine boy and recalled nothing to indicate lack of stability. They state that subject's father was the cause of the recent incident and voiced belief that subject Whitman did this to get even with his father. They described subject's father as a "brute" who beat his wife and children. They stated that on the Saturday before instant shooting, subject's father cut off all financial support to subject Whitman and his mother.

[redacted] voiced intent to write the Governor of Texas in order to express his views to the Governor about subject's father as stated above.

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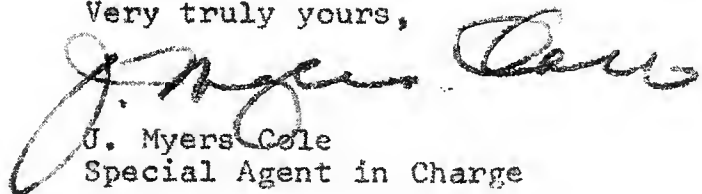
On August 3, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI advised that the Civil Service Commission in Washington, D. C., indicated that subject Whitman was investigated for the position of Engineering Aide at NASA, Houston, Texas.

On August 3, 1966, the Houston Office of the FBI advised that personnel at NASA, Houston, Texas, report that NASA's 201 personnel file on Whitman is at the Federal Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri. The only record presently available at NASA reflects subject Whitman was employed during the Summer of 1965, but the exact dates are not available.

Records of the Police Department, Sheriff's Office, and Credit Bureau, Houston, Texas, contained no information identifiable with subject Whitman.

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Special Agent in Charge

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August 3, 1966

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Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm conversation had on August 3, 1966, with Mr. W. A. Cowan, Assistant Agent in Charge, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

On August 3, 1966, information was received by the San Antonio Office of the FBI that approximately two weeks previously Charles Joseph Whitman contacted [redacted] in Devine, Texas, and either returned to [redacted] a gun which Whitman had borrowed or borrowed a gun from [redacted].

No further information regarding this matter was obtained by the San Antonio Office of the FBI.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas

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August 3, 1966

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
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North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Col. Garrison:

This will serve to confirm information furnished on August 2, 1966, to Mr. W. A. Cowan, Intelligence Section, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, and Major K. R. Herbert, Commanding Officer, Criminal Investigations Division, Austin Police Department, by Special Agent [redacted] of this office.

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The Miami Office of the FBI on August 2, 1966, furnished the following information relative to Charles Joseph Whitman:

A check of records and interviews with relatives and associates of Whitman and his family revealed that Whitman was born June 24, 1941, at Lake Worth, Florida, to Charles Adolphus Whitman and Margaret Elizabeth Hodges Whitman. He has two younger brothers, Patrick Grady Whitman, age 22, married, and residing Lake Worth, Florida, and John Michael Whitman, age 17, who went to Austin, Texas, in March 1965 with his mother.

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cc: Mr. R. A. Miles  
Chief of Police  
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Subject Whitman's mother was a Catholic and his father showed no religious preference. Subject Whitman attended Church of the Sacred Heart Grade School, Lake Worth, Florida, and St. Ann's High School, West Palm Beach, Florida, graduating in May 1959.

When registering for the Selective Service in June 1959, subject Whitman showed his occupation as a student at Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Georgia. It was also indicated that U. S. Marine Corps separation papers reflected one and one-half years education at Georgia Tech, plus education at East Carolina College, April 1964 to June 1964, and U. S. Navy Preparatory School, June 1961 to August, 1961. It is to be noted that subject Whitman served in the U. S. Marine Corps from July 6, 1959, until he transferred to the Reserve December 4, 1964, and was honorably discharged July 18, 1965. His Marine Corps service number was listed as 1871634.

Subject Whitman's only employment in Florida was that of a newspaper carrier while in high school and he reportedly worked for a time with his father.

Arrest records of the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office contained no identifiable information with subject Whitman, with the exception that five traffic citations were noted in the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department records.

[redacted] Lake Worth, Florida, recalled subject Whitman became an Eagle Scout at the age of 13, at which time subject Whitman's father was Scoutmaster. [redacted] said subject's mother was very active in church work and subject's father was active in civic affairs and once ran for the Lake Worth City Council. [redacted] knew nothing of subject Whitman's background to account for his recent actions.

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Lake Worth Police Department records show complaints of disturbances at the residence of subject's parents on March 2 and 4, 1966, and a record of a call to the police department from subject Whitman from Texas on March 2, 1966, in which subject Whitman related his father had threatened his mother and he, subject Whitman, was en route to Florida to get his mother.

A source in West Palm Beach, Florida, with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine reliability but who is reported to have known subject Whitman and his father [redacted] and subject's mother [redacted] advised that subject Whitman has not been in Florida much in recent years, having been in the military service and living in Texas since his separation from the service. Source knew of nothing which would account for subject Whitman's recent actions.

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Source pointed out that subject Whitman's mother was quite religious and raised subject Whitman in a religious environment. One of the subject's brothers once studied for the priesthood. Subject Whitman's father came from a broken family, built a rather successful plumbing business, and was overly proud of his success.

Source described subject Whitman's father as both overly permissive and overly strict with the family and very domineering. He boasted of the material things he has given his family, which, according to source, was true and also was very insistent that his children do things or excel in things that they could not or did not want to do. Source advised that it was well known in the family that subject Whitman's parents quarreled regularly. After a quarrel several months ago subject Whitman's mother told subject of the quarrel and it was reportedly subject Whitman's idea that his mother leave Florida and come to Texas. Source advised that subject Whitman might well have disliked his father but source knew of no reason for his disliking other members of the family or for doing what he did.

Very truly yours,

J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

Blind Note: [redacted]

[redacted] who requested her name be protected is source mentioned on this page.

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September 30, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4067  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letters to you dated August 12, 1966, and August 18, 1966, dealing with the request to interview [redacted] in connection with your investigation of Charles Joseph Whitman.

FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C., has furnished this office with two copies of a report dated September 19, 1966, prepared by the Naval Intelligence Service setting forth the results of interview conducted with [redacted]

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A copy of this report is enclosed for you and a copy is being furnished to Chief of Police R. A. Miles, Austin, Texas.

You will note that the Naval Intelligence Service has stamped on the report "For Official Use Only". The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

*J. Myers Cole*  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge

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Austin Police Department  
Austin, Texas  
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September 23, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated August 29, 1966, in which you and Chief of Police R. A. Miles of the Austin Police Department were advised that steps were being taken to have Francis Joseph Schuck, Jr. interviewed. You will recall that Schuck was a close friend of subject Charles Joseph Whitman and that Schuck was presently in the U. S. Navy.

FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. has furnished this office with two copies of report dated September 14, 1966, prepared by the Naval Intelligence Service setting forth the results of interview conducted with Francis Joseph Schuck, Jr.

A copy of this report is enclosed for you and a copy is being furnished to Chief of Police Miles.

You will note that the Naval Intelligence Service has stamped on their report "For Official Use Only."

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Enclosure (1)

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September 21, 1966

Colonel Homer Garrison, Jr.  
Director  
Texas Department of Public Safety  
Post Office Box 4087  
North Austin Station  
Austin, Texas 78751

Dear Colonel Garrison:

Reference is made to my letter to you dated September 8, 1966, in which you were furnished a copy of a report of [redacted] Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, dated August 18, 1966.

On September 19, 1966, the Washington Field Office of the FBI advised that Edward J. Anderson, Chief, Investigations Branch, Bureau of Drug Abuse Control, Washington, D.C., furnished a more complete report of [redacted] dated August 9, 1966, a copy of which is enclosed for you and for Chief of Police Miles.

Regarding the attachments mentioned in instant report, Mr. Anderson furnished the following information:

Mr. Anderson did not include in the report news items as he felt that these would be available to any source which desired them.

Attachment 1, therefore, was not included. The same is true regarding Attachments 15, 16, and 19. Attachment 21 was also a news item.

Enclosure: 1  
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Mr. Anderson did not include Attachment 2, which is the medical record of Charles Joseph Whitman. These records may be obtained from the University of Texas Student Health Center under the name of Whitman, Charles J., 84877.

Attachment 17 also was not included as Whitman's last notes were furnished to the Bureau of Drug Abuse Control on condition that they never be made public. These notes were obtained from Chief of Police R. A. Miles of the Austin, Texas, Police Department.

The above is being furnished to you for whatever action deemed appropriate.

Very truly yours,

  
J. Myers Cole  
Special Agent in Charge